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Fears rise for missing boy, 13

Fears grew yesterday for the safety of a missing boy aged 13 when his white plimsolls were found by police down a disused railway embankment where he had been playing.

Stuart Brown was last seen two days ago at a small industrial estate not far from his home in Didcot, Berkshire. A funfair had taken place near the embankment.

Kasparov poised for first win

Gary Kasparov, the challenger, was one pawn up and in a winning position when the first game of the chess world title rematch was adjourned after 41 moves in Moscow. Play resumes today.

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Royal phone-in

Princess Anne said on a radio phone-in that she could no longer recall what games of pretence she played when small. She was answering a question from Abigail Wharton, aged eight, on Radio Four's *Tuesday Call*.

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The number of drug offences, drug addicts and drug seizures continued to rise last year, according to Home Office statistics. Drug users are also becoming younger page 4

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Kinnock fights to contain damage after TUC decision

From Donald Macintyre, Labour Editor, Blackpool

Mr Neil Kinnock, leader of the Labour Party, was fighting last night to contain the *political damage* inflicted by yesterday's TUC vote to support the *reimbursement* by a future Labour government of funds lost by the National Union of Mineworkers during the year-long coal strike.

The congress, meeting in Blackpool, carried by a slender 64,000 majority on a card vote the politically highly charged demand from the NUM in what *was a signal victory for Mr* Arthur Scargill, the union's president, and a crushing personal defeat for Mr Norman Willis, the TUC general secretary.

The congress overturned Monday's general council recommendation by 25 votes to 16 to oppose the NUM's motion.

The motion commits the TUC to campaign for a review of the cases of all jailed miners, reinstatement of dismissed miners, an end to all pit *closures other than* by exhaustion and "reimbursement of the NUM and all other unions with all monies confiscated as a result of sequestration and receivership."

Mr Kinnock made clear he did not envisage that the demand, which Mr Scargill will press at the Labour Party conference, would be included in its present form in the party *manifesto for the next general* election. Yesterday's TUC vote makes it highly probable that the miners' Labour Party motion will secure approval at *the party conference*.

Shortly after arriving in Blackpool to attend the general council's annual dinner, the Labour leader said it would be necessary to look "at the practicalities and the lack of practicalities" in the TUC resolution. Mr Kinnock added: "There are no blank cheques. I don't offer them and I don't expect the TUC to offer them to me."

In a BBC television interview, Mr Kinnock said last night: "I think I can best be left to make my own decisions on the basis of what is best for the Labour Party".

He added: "Nothing can be really carved in stone. It won't make any difference to the way in which we have to construct the programme to present to the *electorate*."

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Yesterday's resolution would have been defeated if any one of three abstaining unions, the National Union of Teachers, *the Association of University* Teachers and the Banking Insurance and Finance union had voted against.

The Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs' delegation also confounded most union leaders' calculations by overturning the advice of Mr Clive Jenkins, the union's general secretary, to oppose the motion.

Otherwise, *the big unions* divided on largely predictable lines, with the Transport and General Workers' and the National Union of Public *Employees voting for the* resolution and the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, the General Municipal and Boilermakers' and the National and Local Government Officers voting against.

Some union leaders, however, were inclined to put part of the blame on a disappointing and unimpressively delivered speech by Mr Willis, which was the only one against the motion to be called by the congress chairman, Mr Jack Eccles. Although most unions arrived at the congress heavily mandated, some smaller ones may not have made their minds up until the debate was over.

The defeat for Mr Willis was more serious since he had suggested to some senior colleagues that approval of the NUM resolution might even put his job on the line.

The was no sign last night, however, that the general council would accept an offer of resignation from Mr Willis, who was elected by a huge majority last year, even supposing it were offered.

The TUC general secretary said after the vote: "I was very much aware of the strong thrust of loyalty, and deserved loyalty, to the long dispute fought by the miners. This feeling by congress led to endorsement by congress of the NUM position out of loyalty."

Mr Willis had argued earlier that the TUC could not "and must not put unions in s special situation and claim a special deal from a Labour government *in the future*".

Mr Scargill carried the day with his appeal to support "a resolution which cries out for justice". He added: "We are *asking this TUC – who* supported us so enthusiastically one year ago – to take up the

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Worried, disbelieving, despairing – Mr Norman Willis in Blackpool yesterday (Photographs: John Manning).

Last-ditch talks to avert split if AUEW is suspended

By Our Labour Editor

Desperate eleventh-hour efforts were underway last night to prevent the TUC split that seems certain to follow if the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers is suspended from the Congress today.

The union's general secretary, Mr Gavin Laird, last night met Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, as the AUEW executive continued in emergency session in a Blackpool hotel to decide how to respond to the TUC's formal direction to comply with its boycott on accepting government funds for postal ballots.

As the TUC General Council's annual dinner was held up for Mr Willis and senior TUC officials to hold talks with Mr Laird, Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, was thought to have indicated to senior union leaders that he viewed the threatened split with gravity.

The temperature was raised sharply in Blackpool yesterday as sometimes angry debate in which Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the Electrical Electronic and Telecommunication Union, said that the TUC faced a "catastrophic split" if it went ahead and suspended the engineering union.



Mr Laird: In crisis session

Mr Hammond, whose motion suggesting a review of the TUC's policy on non cooperation with government laws, told delegates: "I must put my union's position beyond doubt. Put us outside the TUC and declare open season on our membership and we will not lie *quiescent, waiting to be carved* up. We will do what is necessary to survive."

Delegates from Mr Hammond's union, which has also applied for government money, have already said they will walk *out immediately if the engineering* union is suspended.

Mr Ron Todd, general secretary of the TGWU, said that it had been asked earlier in the debate whether a commander in battle would send two *regiments back to barracks*. He added: "The simpler answer is 'yes' you do if they have given notice of deserting."

Author to aid Tebbit in campaign

Mrs Thatcher has called on Mr Jeffrey Archer, the best-*selling author, to present the* Tory party's case to the country in the run-up to the next general election.

Mr Archer, aged 45, was named yesterday as deputy to Mr Norman Tebbit, the new party chairman, who said he would bring "a touch of dash and style" to the organisation.

One of his tasks will be to get out into the constituencies to meet voters and local party workers.

Mr Archer, who was Tory MP for Louth for five years until he was obliged to resign in 1974 in the wake of a financial scandal, said: "I have never hidden the fact that politics is my first love.

"I finished the last book a month ago and have handed it in. I have made a decision that I shall not be doing anything between now and the next election other than support the chairman and doing everything I can to win the next election."

Mr Archer said he had no *intention of becoming an MP* again. "With a majority of 140 in the Commons, I think I can do a lot more for the party outside, going round the *country*."

Mr Tebbitt – who disclosed he is to return to hospital early next year for a "small bit of repairwork" on injuries he *suffered in the Brighton bomb* blast – added: "Jeffrey Archer will act as my deputy. He will have more time than I will, because of my own Cabinet *duties, to travel the country*."

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Young plans two-prong jobs battle

By Colin Hughes and Patrick Searjeant

Lord Young, who was appointed Secretary of State for Employment in the Cabinet reshuffle to put greater policy emphasis on unemployment, said yesterday that he will attack on two fronts: job creation and reducing the available workforce.

He plans a further White Paper on deregulaton to be published at Easter. It will build on proposals made in July to ease the regulatory burden on small business, responsibility for which has been moved from the Department of Trade and Industry.

It is also likely to feature measures to aid the expansion of the tourist industry, another new function of the Department of Employment.

Lord Young also plans effectively to abolish the concept of unemployment for anyone up to the age of 19 by a combination of the two-year Youth Training Scheme and vocational training in schools and colleges.

"My idea is that, at the end of the decade, there is a world in which 15 per cent of our young go into higher education – *university, polytechnic* – roughly the same proportion as now.

"Another 30 to 35 per cent will stay on doing the Technical and Vocational Education Initiative, *along with other courses*, ending up with a mixture of vocational and academic qualifications and skills.

"The remainder, about half, will go *on to two-year* YTS."

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Welsh Office resignation

One further government change was announced yesterday in succession to the eight new appointments of ministers at Cabinet level and 14 at lower levels made on Monday.

Mr John Stradling Thomas, the Minister of State at the Welsh Office and former deputy chief whip, became the seventh minister to offer his resignation and the sixth to do so at the Prime Minister's request.

In his place and at a lower level, Mr Mark Robinson, who entered Parliament in 1983 as MP for Newport West, was appointed to his first post as Parliamentary Under Secretary at the Welsh Office.

Wall Street selling hits rand

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg

The rand slumped to 41.50 cents against the US dollar yesterday as the New York market reacted negatively to the financial curbs and the four-month moratorium on foreign debt repayments announced by South Africa on Sunday.

The American reaction was fiercer than expected – New York was out of the market on Monday because of the Labour Day holiday – after the re-introduction of two-tier exchange rates.

The rand is now being quoted at a commercial rate and at a blocked "financial" rate designed to encourage foreign investors to keep their money in the country.

Before New York came into the market yesterday the commercial rate was 45.50 cents against the dollar and the financial rand was quoted at between 36 and 37 cents. The four-cent fall against the dollar in the commercial rate trimmed the discount from 20 to 13 per cent.

After the measures announced on Sunday it was predicted that the rand would bounce back to at least 50 cents against the dollar – the Reserve Bank claims it is worth at least 60 cents based on economic fundamentals – but so far it has not nearly approached that level.

● **Strike abandoned:** The National Union of Mineworkers said it was calling off a strike by black workers at gold and coal mines (Reuter reports).

The strike began on Monday. The decision followed a crumbling of support for the strike *after differing pay awards* by mining groups.

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NUR backs talks on driver-only trains

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

British Rail's chances of introducing wholesale efficiency measures were considerably enhanced yesterday when leaders of the National Union of Railwaymen backed the start of negotiations on driver-only trains.

The union executive, meeting in Blackpool, decided to recommend to a special conference next week that productivity talks should begin if 245 guards dismissed for taking action against one-man operation are reinstated.

The decision by the railmen was taken after the surprise vote by 1,100 guards against striking on the issue.

British Rail has insisted that the union drops its refusal to negotiate one-man trains and other productivity measures before the dismissal men are reemployed.

Mr Jimmy Knapp, NUR general secretary, has called the emergency conference at Congress House next Thursday to review the union's policy, which has been endorsed by three consecutive annual conferences, including the latest in June.

The resolution from the 26-strong executive constitutes a significant climbdown and will be greeted with approval by both management and the Government.

The 80 delegates at the special conference are *likely* to follow the recommendations of their leadership but there will be considerable criticism of their tactics. Mr Knapp led the campaign *in his union* to introduce secret ballots under the provisions of last year's Trade Union Act, and the first such vote has proved highly embarrassing to the *NUR*.

● British Rail had run another 10 driver-only coal by last night, and sent home six men who refused to train for or take part in one-man operations (Craig Seton writes).

Yesterday's operations followed the introduction of the scheme at Shirebrook on Monday, when 12 one-man trains were run in spite of opposition from rail unions.

Expert says the Titanic can be raised

By Thomson Prentice, Diana Geddes and Trevor Fishlock

A salvage expert from Britain is expected soon to discuss raising the wreck of the Titanic with researchers who *have located the liner at the* bottom of the north Atlantic.

Mr John Pierce, who worked on the wreck of the Lusitania off the Irish coast three years ago, said the technology existed to made an attempt to raise the *Titanic*.

He declined to discuss plans to mount such an expedition, but is expected to join researchers in the US and then *evaluate the possibilities of* what would be the world's most ambitious salvage operation.

Mr Peirce has designed and patented a unique method of lifting large sunken objects with the use of huge inflatable canvas bags. *The technique* was used last month to raise Rainbow Warrior, the Greenpeace ship, from the bottom of Auckland harbour.

It was not used in salvage work on the Lusitania because that ship was badly damaged by explosions. Despite public *scepticism, Mr Pierce remains* confident that the Titanic ca be raised.

The wreck has been found at a depth of more than 12,000ft. *375 miles south of Newfound*land. It was positively identified by a French-made submarine sona system with American-made underwater cameras.

Confirmation that the wreck *had been found, upright, intact* and "in really good condition" was given yesterday by the leader of the joint American-French oceanographic research *team, Dr Robert Ballard.*

In the next week, robot cameras will take thousands of *still photographs* and thousands of feet of videotape of the wreck. Dr Ballard was emphatic that he is not interested in salvaging treasures said to be in the ship's strongroom.

"The Titanic is a grave and I want it declared an international memorial", he said. "Let the jewels stay on the bottom. We are not after them."

In France, the weekly news-

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Date for teachers' pay talks set

By Lucy Hodges Education Correspondent

Local authority employers and the teachers' unions are due to meet again next Thursday in another attempt to solve the *seven-month-old pay dispute*.

Although the employers are anxious to settle, and say publicly that they have drawn up new proposals which should enable this, there is little optimism privately. Nor are the *teachers' unions hopeful, on the* ground that an increased offer is unlikely to mean talks on structure and conditions of service being completed by October 11.

The only way the employers are able to increase their present 6.06 per cent pay offer to teachers is by tapping the £1.25 billion offered by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, for reforms on structure and conditions over the next four years, *provided there is agreement on* these items by October 11.

● Three unions representing Scottish teachers are considering joint action in their fight for *more pay, and increasing* disruption threatens Scottish schools (Ronald Faux writes).

That was made clear in Edinburgh yesterday after leaders of the Educational Institute of Scotland, the Scottish Secondary Teachers Association and the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers met to review progress in their separate pay campaigns.

The unions have rejected a 10 per cent offer over four years by Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, and the employers' proposed package on pay and service conditions.

● The setting up this week of the new interim Inner London Education Authority was hailed yesterday by Mrs Frances Morrell, Ilea's leader, as "a historic triumph for the people of inner London".

The interim authority, established to *prepare for the new* Ilea which comes into being next April as a result of the abolition of the Greater London Council, will decide how technical services provided by the GLC are to be met.

● More graduates are going into industry and commerce and fewer into local authority employment, the public service and education, according to statistics released by the University Grants Committee for 1984.

Bombs in Greece injure Britons

From Mario Modiano Athens

Nineteen British tourists, seven of them deaf and dumb, injured yesterday when unidentified assailants hurled bombs into the crowded swimming pool of a hotel at Glyfada, a seaside resort near Athens.

Later a woman telephoned a Greek newspaper to say that the Black September organization had staged the attack to warn the Greek authorities to release a young armed Palestinian arrested in Athens on Friday. Police said he confessed he was on a mission to kill the Jordanian Ambassador in Athens. He was charged yesterday with illegal possession of arms.

The deaf and dumb among the injured British tourists belonged to a group of 17 handicapped people from Birmingham on *holiday with two* escorts. Four of them were given first aid for minor injuries and released. The other three were among the seven who remained in hospital.

Two of those in hospital were in a serious condition: they were identified as Mrs May Harding, aged 40, as secretary from Horsham, Sussex, who was feared to have a ruptured kidney, and Mr William Dennis, aged 52, who lost a great deal of blood.

A Greek police spokesman said a young man was seen hurling two explosive devices, probably hand grenades, in the swimming pool of the Glyfada Hotel over the low hedge separating it from a side street.

The young man was seen racing towards the sea, and then he disappeared, probably in the car of an accomplice. The five-storey hotel is next to the London Hotel, which was the target of a bomb attack on August 8 that left 13 injured, six of them British tourists.

Mr Michael Harding, aged 40, whose wife is in hospital, said: "We are lucky to be alive". He said there were a lot of peple sitting around the swimming pool in the early afternoon when two or three round objects, some six inches long, wrapped in electrical tape, were thrown over the hedge. Two of them fell in the pool and exploded.

● **Emergency number: The *tour operators Intasun have set* up an emergency telephone number in London for relatives of British tourists at the resort. The number is 01-290 1100.**

Threat to Mirror averted

A threat to stop *The Mirror* was averted yesterday when the print union, Sogat '82, agreed to produce the paper pending talks with the management.

Mr Robert Maxwell, publisher of Mirror Group Newspapers, is insisting that the union agree to negotiate the end of "Spanish practices", one of the central elements of his deal with the National Graphical Association which brought the paper back on to the streets yesterday.

Sogat was keen to emphasize that there had been no final agreement with Mr Maxwell. But management confirmed that the NGA deal was not binding on Sogat.

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Thatcher pledges support to 'engineers with vision' in jobs drive

From Derek Harris, Commerical Editor, Birmingham

The Government is to go on with its "prudent financial policies," the Prime Minister said yesterday.

While the Conservatives were seeing what she described as "a trough between elections" there have been no criticisms of government policies but only on the way they were presented. "We can deal with that," Mrs Margaret Thatcher said.

The Government's policies had kept inflation down, with taxation policies that gave incentives to create the wealth of tomorrow, she said, and added: "Our role in government is to make it worthwhile again for entrepreneurs to take risks." Then new industries would emerge and survive.

Mrs Thatcher added: "If we get more business, we get more jobs."

It emphasized a key priority of her reshuffled ministerial team in tackling unemployment in the run-up to the next election.

Mrs Thatcher was at a meeting of professional engineers in Birmingham, where she emphasized that industrial revival through more successful British engineering efforts could lead to the creation of additional jobs.

Mrs Thatcher was speaking at Britain's first Engineering Assembly, a two-day annual "parliament" for grassroots engineers organized by the Engineering Council and representing about 300,000 professional engineers.

Mrs Thatcher, with a science background in chemistry, said: "Quack remedies are being peddled on all sides, but a quick fix does not lead to sturdy independence: it just produces subsidy addicts."

She said the Government had started to get administrative burdens off industry's back. The ending of the National Insurance surcharge had cost £3 billion but the Government chose to remove that burden rather than lowering income tax even further. "I hope we did the right thing going the way we did to help you to create more jobs."

She said that the key to a secure future was to anticipate change and boldly use it to advantage. Great engineers of the past had also been entrepreneurs with vision, she said. "They did not wait for an economic boost. They were the boost."

It was important, she said, to emphasize the successes already made in some industries from achievement in bio-technology to the creation of the North Sea oil industry.

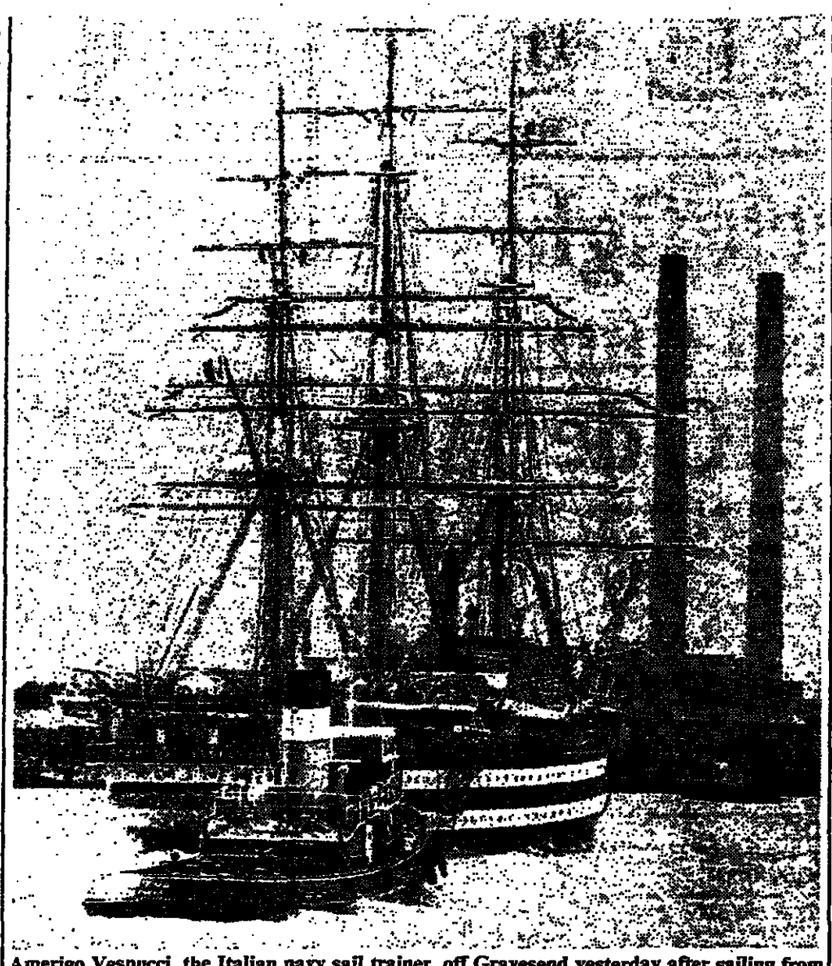
She issued a warning against looking for growth in those compartments favoured by the pundits, the "sunrise" industries, the services sector and high technology industries. "These are labels. Industry cannot be separated into compartments. Some of the biggest customers for high technology are traditional industries."

She reaffirmed the importance of universities to the future of Britain, not only in transmitting a heritage and fundamental learning, but in creating new creative ideas.

Sir Francis Tombs, chairman of the Engineering Council, said that to improve the quantity and quality of engineers, action was needed in several areas. In the schools the council wanted to see a better and more widespread teaching of mathematics and the sciences.

Teachers had to be made more aware of industry by such methods as in-service training of teachers and the involvement of industry with their local schools. The career opportunities of engineering also needed to be more effectively demonstrated to teachers, parents and pupils.

But the large number of universities and polytechnics teaching engineering made it difficult to maintain laboratories and staff of adequate quality because laboratories were expensive and good staff were able to get jobs in industry, Sir Francis said.



Amerigo Vespucci, the Italian navy sail trainer, off Gravesend yesterday after sailing from Hamburg en route to Greenwich for a working cruise. The 4,000-ton vessel will be moored there until Monday (Photograph: Warren Harrison).

Kent says Vatican in line with US policy

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Vatican used its international political influence in accordance with American interests, Monsignor Bruce Kent, former Secretary of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament, told a conference of Roman Catholic priests in Birmingham yesterday.

He declared: "God bless America. Pope John Paul is reported to have said when he met President Reagan in Alaska, and that did not surprise me in any way, nor invalidate his very obvious concern for world peace."

Mgr Kent, now a life president of CND and a priest in Westminister Diocese, under Cardinal Basil Hume, contrasted the different set of standards "so clearly applied to church politics in Poland and church politics in Nicaragua".

He said: "The Vatican is a major political agency in the world today and in broad practical terms its interests and perspectives are those of the Western superpower and not those of the, absurdly labelled, socialist countries."

Britain's most "political priest" was invited to address the National Conference of Priests at its annual meeting at Newman College, Birmingham, on the subject of violence, and he had for them severe words of judgement on the performance of his own church in this sphere.

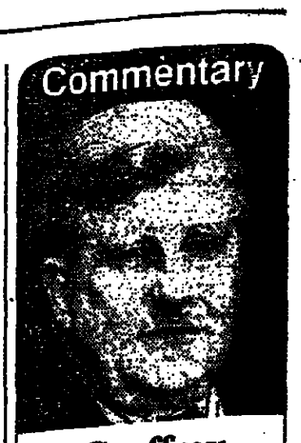
The Roman Catholic bishops of England and Wales, he alleged, had been misled by government propaganda into "practical silence" over the deployment of cruise missiles.

Mgr Kent reminded the priest delegates that the church's role in giving support for "Caesar", rather than in non-violent opposition to the State, had a very long history, as had the church's own employment of force on occasions.

One hundred years ago a papal army ahd been formed to defend the papal states in Italy, with a monk in charge of artillery pieces named after the Apostles, and even a papal gunboat called The Immaculate Conception.

"It sounds like a long time ago. The whole episode might well be a reminder that some certainties are less certain than others, and that time works wonders."

Commentary



Geoffrey Smith

There is one particularly striking appointment in the Cabinet reshuffle which could prove to be of considerable importance to the political future of the Conservative Party.

I am not referring to the choice of Mr Norman Tebbit as the party chairman, though his performance in that role could have quite a bearing on Conservative election prospects. But that appointment had been so widely foreshadowed that it would have been remarkable only if it had not been made.

Nor am I referring to the promotion of Lord Young of Graffham to be employment supremo, although the Government's capacity to appear active and concerned in dealing with unemployment will be critical for its standing in office and its chances of re-election.

Opposition wrath is inevitably attracted by having a Secretary of State for Employment in the Lords. But it need not be a bad arrangement for the head of a major department to be in the Lords, with a more junior Cabinet colleague representing the department in the Commons.

It worked well enough for Lord Carrington when he was Foreign Secretary until the Falklands crisis broke upon him. For Lord Young to be given the backing of a full department was not totally unexpected and he should receive strong support from Mr Kenneth Clarke as his partner in the Commons.

But the appointment of Mr Douglas Hurd as Home Secretary was a complete surprise. The timing of this move is extraordinary. To change the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland just as negotiations with Dublin over the future administration of the province are coming to a head will expose Mrs Thatcher to the charge that either she does not understand the problems of Ireland, north or south, or she does not take them serious – or both.

Hurd rebalances the Cabinet

It is no disrespect to the unfortunate Mr Tom King to say that the departure of Mr Hurd from Northern Ireland at this moment will reduce the chances of successful initiative and increase the risk, if either London or Dublin decides not to proceed with the new arrangements, that the British Government will be blamed for a failure that might have occurred anyway.

But Mr Hurd's arrival as Home Secretary offers a fascinating prospect. His predecessor, Mr Leon Brittan, displayed his considerable intellectual powers in a post that requires an extra political dimension. He should still provide valuable service to the Conservative Party for many years near the top, but not at the very top.

It has, however, unbalanced the Cabinet to have a Home Secretary as well as a Chancellor of the Exchequor whom nobody could imagine becoming Prime Minister.

Mr Hurd is another minister of considerable calibre but wider political range. His progress from Mr Heath's political secretary to Mrs Thatcher's Cabinet minister took some time. But that he accomplished it at all is a tribute to his political talents.

Whether he has the capacity for presentation to match his political judgement and diplomatic finesse will be put to a more searching test, expecially in Parliament and on television.

The Home Office is a department which tends to provide its political head with a succession of unexpected challenges.

If Mr Hurd can meet them successfully he will not only strengthen the Cabinet in a sensitive post, but also emerge as a leading political figure in his own right. That would strengthen the balance of Cabinet.

In all the speculation about Mrs Thatcher's eventual successor, it is interesting how few candidates there are for the role of dark horse if a compromise is sought between Mr Tebbit, Mr Walker or Mr Heseltine. Perhaps Sir Geoffrey Howe, but his parliamentary performances do not yet command confidence.

Mr Prior would have his supporters, but he may well not be available.

If he is a success as Home Secretary, Mr Hurd could come to be seen in that light. I am not predicting now that he will be Mrs Thatcher's successor, but he might in due course be ranked among the more serious possibilities.

He will certainly be given the opportunity to prove if he has the political skills that are needed in a Cabinet where they are in short supply.

No Ulster U-turn, King insists

From Richard Evens and Tim Jones, Belfast

Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, moved quickly yesterday to quash speculation that his appointment signalled a change in the Government's attitude to the Anglo-Irish talks, now entering their final stages.

Mr King also said that the Government would not be deterred from reaching an agreement with Dublin by threats of a Protestant backlash.

He flew to Belfast, his predecessor, Mr Douglas Hurd, of Stormont Castle, and spoke on the telephone with Mr Peter Barry, the Irish Foreign Minister.

Mr King said: "There is no question whatsoever that somehow my appointment signals some change in policy. The policy is the policy of the Cabinet."

With unionist leaders saying that Protestants would resort to violence if any agreement with Dublin emerged which they believed to be a sell-out Mr King insisted that he would not be deterred.

"If I believe the proposals are in the best interests of the people of Northern Ireland we have to be prepared to face the reactions from whichever quarters they come. That is the only honourable and responsible thing to do.

"Having sought to form as fair a view as we can on what people's reasonable feelings are, we have to take a view as to what is the best interests of Northern Ireland as a whole."

Mr King denied that he had been reluctant to accept the Ulster post. He had accepted it "immediately".

In a statement, the Dublin government emphasized that the Anglo-Irish talks are under the direction of the two Prime Ministers, and would "continue in the same positive manner regardless of who occupies the different posts in the two Cabinets."

But in Ulster unionist and nationalist politicians united to criticize Mr Hurd's removal as an example of low priority they alleged the Government gives to the province.

Parkinson 'content' with no job

The former Tory party chairman, Mr Cecil Parkinson, flew home to London yesterday from his holiday in the Bahamas and gave his reaction to Mrs Thatcher's decision not to include him in her Cabinet.

Mr Parkinson, who resigned from the Government two years ago, said: "The Prime Minister spoke to me about her decision, and I understand and accept it. It was difficult for her and it would have been difficult for me. I'm perfectly content with the situation as it is."

Asked if he had expected to be recalled, Mr Parkingson said: "I had a much more open mind than some of the people who were making the predictions, and I realize that Mrs Thatcher had a difficult problem to face."

Mr Parkinson said that the Prime Minister telephoned him when he was celebrating his birthday with friends. He had been expecting a call.

Mr Parkinson said: "I cannot discuss what the Prime Minister said to me, but we had a friendly conversation because we are friends."

He said: "I want to make it clear that I think she has chosen a good team, and both she and that team have my total support and I will do anything I can to help them.

"I think it is an interesting team, I would not like to say which ones, but one or two of them did surprise me. I suspect I was not the only one surprised."

When he was asked if he thought he would ever be recalled to the Cabinet, he said: "I have no comment at all on that."

Jenkins warns Owen on right tilt

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

A renewed warning to Dr David Owen against trying to take the Social Democratic Party towards the political right is given today by his predecessor as party leader, Mr Roy Jenkins.

In an article *New Democrat*, extracted from a new book, Mr Jenkins sets himself apart from Dr Owen by emphasizing that the alliance with the Liberals must be permanent.

He also suggests that Dr Owen's sights for the next general election are set too low, and that the tw parties should "campaign for power, not balance".

As in the past, Mr Jenkins shows his thinking about the future of the Alliance to be nearer to that of Mr David Steel and the Liberals than to that of Dr Owen and his supporters. He has chosen the eve of the SDP's conference in Torquay to display this distinction again.

In what must be deliberately-chosen language, he repeats a phrase used some months ago by Mr Steel when obliquely rebuking Dr Owen for aping some of the present Government's attitudes. "Post-Thatcher", Mr Jenkins writes, "the country will not want a sub-Thatcherite alternative".

He says that "a lot of nonsense" is talked about Mrs Margaret Thatcher having changed the intellectual climate. The same could be said of Baldwin or Attlee or any prime minister who held office for long; but that did not mean that what was good sense when they started had to be discounted before they finished.

"We must be clear about the political orientation of our party", Mr Jenkins insists. He finds it "paradoxical" that he was once considered the most right-wing of the SDP's founding "gang of four", and makes it plain that Dr Owen is now, in his book, the right-winger.

He argues that the Alliance, to win power, must 'eat into Labour as well as Conservative votes to avoid the return of a Labour government on a minority vote.

To make it clear that he is addressing Dr Owen he adds: "We should keep our radical cutting edge well honed and endeavour to cut as deep in Durham as Devon".

The implication is that Dr Owen, who sits for Plymouth, Devonport, is more concerned to attract Conservative-inclined voters, who represent the greatest threat to him.

As for relations between Liberals and Social Democrats, Dr Owen has argued that there is room for four parties in British politics and has visualized the possibility, if proportional representation were achieved, of Liberals and Social Democrats competing with each other at the polls.

Mr Jenkins scorns such talk. "Under no electoral system will there be room for more than three mainstream political groups "Indeed any thought that the new system would encourage us to split would discourage its achievement, for there are many who would like a fairer and more rational system but who fear fragmentation."

Young's enterprizing approach to jobs

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The main emphasis, however, will be on job creation by encouraging enterprise, cutting regulations on small business and improving the workings of the labour market. Lord Young said he would not judge his success by the unemployment figures but by measures taken to stimulate business.

"This is now the place for jobs", he said at the department's substantial office block, where a memorial to Ernest Bevin in the foyer is a reminder of its traditional role in labour relations.

The additional departmental functions had been brought in because the only way to cut unemployment was to cut regulations and encourage enterprise in areas such as small firms and tourism, which were most likely to produce new jobs.

"I don't believe government can create jobs permanently. It can only provide the tools. The Government's role is to help people help themselves.

The new department would build on successes achieved in reviving small business. "We had the lowest birthrate of new firms in Europe for 25 years. We need more of the one and two-man firms because they are the firms that will employ 100 in a few years.

"When Britain's textile industry controlled half the world market, the average firm employed less than 100.

"Self-employment fell during the Seventies, but in the Eighties it has risen from 1.9 million to 2.5 million. As a result, more jobs were created in Britain last car than in any other European country."

"If a man from outer space visited the United States he would see that they have set the small man free, but when he grows into a big business they regulate him. The US system is about letting enterprise shoot up before controlling it.

"In Europe it is the reverse. As a result, Europe has lost two million jobs, while the United States has gained 18 milllion."

Lord Young hopes that the creation of his "enormous" new department will aid a more integrated approach to encouraging enterprise; for instance by bringing together the Manpower Services Commission and the small firms unit. But he and the enterprise unit he has brought from the cabinet office will continue to play a more wide-ranging Whitehall role.

"I would like in some ways to be the Ombudsman of petty regulations. Every regulation has a cost. Ministers don't get anywhere by fighting each other, but to that extent I will be meddling in other departments."

Estate on offer for £6m

Hilborough, near Thetford in Norfolk, once owned by the Duke of Wellington and one of the country's greatest estates, is for sale.

Renowned for its scenic beauty and sporting amenities, the 6,436 acre estate is on the market at £6 million. Included in the sale are four farms between 1,809 and 819 acres, two smaller let farms, five hundred acres of woodland, 650 acres of Breckland, four farmhouses, 17 cottages and Hilborough Hall itself, a listed Georgian mansion.

More wines contaminated

Five more West German wines have been found to be contaminated with di-ethylene glycol, the Ministry of Agriculture said yesterday.

They are: 1983 Burg Layer Johannisberg Riesling Spatlese, Nahe, 1983 Binger-rucker Roemerberg Riesling Spatlese, Nahe, and 1985 Nuenstrer Steinkoepf Riesling Auslese, Nahe, all bottled by F Pierth et Burt Layer; 1976 Qau-Koergern-heimer Vogelsang Beerenauslese, Rheinhess-en, bottled by Niederthaelerhof of Schimsbockelheim; 1983 Hambacher Pfaffenerg Spaetburgunder Weisherbst Beerenauslese, Rheinpfalz, bottled by W Seidel of Alsheim.

Hurd challenged on electoral reform

Mr David Alton, the Liberal Chief Whip in the Commons, has unearthed an ancient commitment to electoral reform to plague the new Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd. In a letter to Mr Hurd yesterday, he urged him on the strength of it, to press for an electoral reform Bill to be included in this year's Queen's Speech.

In his letter he recalls that in a debate on elections to the European Assembly in 1977, Mr Hurd described himself as "one who actually favours electoral reform in this kingdom and who has spoken and voted for it accordingly.

"I sincerely hope that you intend vigorously to pursue this objective, and bring our country into line with all of our European partners, Mr Alton says. He claims that the present electoral system discriminates against many voters.



Mrs Angela Rumbold, making her government debut as Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, and Mr Douglas Hurd, in Belfast before leaving for London and the Home Secretaryship. (Photographs: Suresh Karadia).

Catholic plea to gunmen

Dr Cahal Daly, Roman Catholic Bishop of Down and Connor, has told the Provisional IRA, that if it abandoned its "armed struggle" there would be overwhelming moral force behind demands for political and structural changes "which are an absolute and urgent requirement of justice".

In an uncompromising attack on the illegal organization, Dr Daly yesterday called on IRA gunmen to have the courage to say they would no longer be part of the perversion of patriotism.

He said that for each man who pulled a trigger or planted a bomb, there were many others who shared the guilt of murder.

There was injustice in Northern Ireland, but an honourable peace would be won only by those who had the courage to renounce violence and commit themselves to unambiguous support for the unarmed struggle to achieve justice.

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Tories jubilant, Kinnock defiant after Scargill vote

By Our Political Editor

Labour Party leaders and Labour MPs were dismayed yesterday by Mr S cargill's success at the TUC, which none appears to have expected, and full of foreboding about what may now happen when Labour holds its own conference in Bournemouth next month.

The use to which Labour's opponents will put the Blackpool vote was vividly shown yesterday. Mr Norman Tebbitt, on his first day as Conservative Party Chairman, could not contain his pleasure. "The TUC celebrated my arrival at Central Office by doing dafter things than even I thought possible", he said.

He asked how the Congress could have committed itself "to attack Gavin Laird's work to improve the engineering union's democratic systems and to support Scargill's anti-democratic wing of the NUM".

Mr Tebbitt added that he was not surprised that bookmakers had now made the Tories odds-on favourites to win the next election. "They have got it absolutely right", he said.

Mr Cyril Smith, Liberal MP for Rochdale, who is in charge of his party's campaign to win Labour-held seats, said that the vote showed many unions had yet to learn that public sympathy for miners dismissed for minor offences during the strike did not extend to a general amnesty or to payment of compensation from public funds for their union's defiance of the courts.

He said that the vote would do untold harm to the trade union movement and crack Labour's attempt to restrain its militants.

"No matter what Mr Kinnock says to the contrary he will be unable to ignore the TUC's decision because he who pays the piper calls the tune."

Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, who heard the outcome of the vote while travelling to Blackpool, issued a gently-worded but unmistakable response, saying that the possibility of retrospective legislation was "very very remote". His meaning for everyone in the Labour movement who cared to reflect was that there was no possibility of such legislation whatever.

Mr Kinnock said that the TUC had not given enough attention to the practicalities. Looking ahead to Bournemouth he then made it equally plain that if the mineworkers and their allies secure the passage of a similar resolution by the Labour Party conference, as must now be probable, no Labour government would be bound to heed them.

£40bn North Sea oil boom predicted

By Ronald Faux

A new wave of North Sea oil development was forecast yesterday by the Scottish Development Agency.

An agency survey published in Aberdeen said expenditure in the UK sector of the North Sea during the next decade would total £40 billion with 15,000 new jobs created.

Dr George Mathewson, chief executive, said the survey based on a computer model of the offshore sector gave the most accurate forecast yet published on oil and gas exploration. It proved quite conclusively that Britain was on the threshhold of a new wave of North Sea opportunities. The study analyses likely spending in a broad range of products and services required by North Sea industry. It suggests that while spending is likely to grow im many service areas, there will be less spent on such capital projects as production platforms, submarine pipelines and terminals.

The agency calculates that an average of £3.6 billion will be spent each year during the next decade with orders picking up to more than £4 billion in 1993. This is almost 25 per cent higher than at present and by 1995 it is expected that 43,000 people will be working offshore.

$1m in cheques stolen at Heathrow, QC says

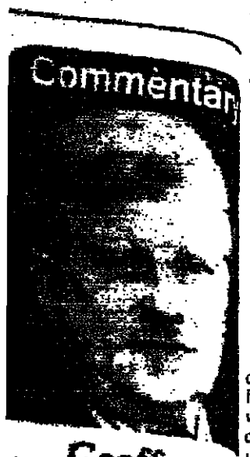
A million dollar racket in stolen travellers' cheques began at Heathrow Airport where consignments were stolen from aircraft before take-off, the Central Criminal Court was told yesterday.

Within days the cheques, worth £750,000, were cashed in the United Kingdom and Western Europe by members of an international syndicate using false passports, Mr Michael Kalisher, QC, for the prosection said.

The cheques were stolen from "long haul" flights to Johannesburg and Hong Kong.

David Rooke, aged 48, a Heathrow loader, of Hoppner Road, Hayes, Middlesex, was alleged to have been directly involved in the theft of the cheques in different currencies. Walter Gleeson, aged 49, of Wilberforce Court, Kings Drive, Edgware, was named as a receiver who allegedly distributed and arranged encashment of cheques. Paul Cockayne, aged 50, a jeweller, of Church Street, Kensington, was said to have been involved in receipt of the last consignment of stolen cheques totalling $37,500.

M Rooke denied charges of stealing and receiving the cheques; M Gleeson denied two charges of receiving; and M Cockayne pleaded not guilty to one charge of handling. The hearing continues today.



Geoffrey Smith

Son tells court working miners' leader boasted of part in burglaries

Mr Kenneth Foulstone, one of the miners who led the legal fight against the NUM strike, was arrested by police after his children alleged he had been involve in a number of burglaries seven years before the dispute, a court was told yesterday.

They decided to make their allegation after watching their father speaking on television about his belief that law and order must be upheld.

Mr Michael Murphy for the prosecution at Lincoln Crown Court, said the children, Stephen, aged 19, Sharon, aged 21, and Rachel, aged 14, all from Mr Foulstone's first marriage, had thought their father was being a hypocrite.

They had given an interview to Mr Paul Foot, a columnist on *The Mirror*, in which they claimed their father had carried out raids on historic homes in south Yorkshire and north Nottinghamshire, seven years before he became a prominent national figure because of his High Court campaign against the strike.

Mr Murphy said the children told how their father had boasted at the time of the burglaries and produced a photograph said to have been taken by Mr Foulstone of two porcelain doves stolen from Cantley Hall, near Doncaster. Mr Foulstone, aged 45, of The Old Pumping Station, Milton, near Tuxford, Nottinghamshire, a miner at Manton colliery, Worksop, denies three charges of burglary between October and December 1977.

He is accused of stealing silver and antiques worth £1,650 from Serlby Hall, near Retford, Nottinghamshire; the former home of the dowager Lady Galway; stealing property worth £1,765 from Cantley Hall; and stealing property worth £1,613 from a bungalow in Bawtry Road, Doncaster.

Mr Murphy said the offences came to light when Mr Foot, the journalist, went to the police. Mr Foulstone was arrested and when interviewed said he had nothing to say about the matter.

Mr Murphy said the miners' strike had caused a split in many communities, between working and striking miners. "This prosecution is not concerned with the rights and wrongs of the miners' strike, but it is relevant that you should know that during the miners' strike this man played a prominent part on the side of the miners still working."

Judge David Wilcox asked members of the jury as they were sworn in whether they were directly concerned with any union in the coal industry, or employed by the National Coal Board.

The court heard evidence from Mr Foulstone's son, Stephen, who now lives in south Yorkshire, close to Cortonwood colliery, the pit at the centre of the year-long dispute. He said he had changed his name to Newton to avoid "hassle" from miners in the village, most of whom had supported the strike.

He said he had not reported his father's alleged involvement in the burglaries at the time of *the offences because he thought* he would not be believed. Asked why he had eventually decided to reveal them, he said: "It was because my father was on television making statements about *why laws should* be obeyed. I thought it was time I spoke up about his past".

Asked by Mr Murphy if there were any "unusual events" involving his father, he replied: "yes, he went burgling . . . stealing. I knew that because he openly told me. He told me lots of things about the way he broke in. He would boast things like that."

The hearing continues today.



Mr Foulstone, led back-to-work

Princess in glance back at childhood

By Paul Vallely

All little girls enjoy playing at princesses, but what do little princesses play? Thus her youngest *inquisitor addressed* Princess Anne, who yesterday became the first senior member of the Royal Family to participate in a radio phone-in.

The answer, the princess reluctantly admitted, had disappeared into the dim mists of the past. "I'm sorry to say this but the one thing I never played at was being a princess", she told Abigail Wharton, aged eight, on Radio Four's *Tuesday Call*.

What games of childhood pretence she had played she could no longer recall. "I suspect, having an elder *brother, that I was rather more* interested in the sort of games he thought he was playing – and the ponies were always there."

Ponies and other livestock figured large in the broadcast, which became a revealing index of the aspects of royal life about which the British public shows most interest.

Questions on cooking elicited the information that Princess *Anne is a dab hand with* scrambled eggs, on gardening that she has only two flower beds and on exercise that she is not a jogger but does a bit of stretching to keep her in trim when she cannot ride.

The princess neatly parried an early inquiry about her children with a polite but firm "the less people know about them the better", but talked at length on her work for Riding for the Disabled and the Save the Children Fund.

Asked whether more money would not be given to charities if less was wasted on bureaucracy and administration, Princess Anne defended the record of Save the Children, of which she is president. She said that with the recent boost of funds there was an increasing need for fully-trained professional staff

The princess spoke too of how she copes with seeing severely malnourished and dying children on her trips to the Third World. She said that it was easier, on the spot, to look at the situation in terms of what could be done.

"It is more difficult when you are seeing it in your comfortable home, surrounded by hot and cold running water, electric light and all the things we take for granted", she said.





Princess Anne in front of the microphones at Broadcasting House yesterday, when she was the guest of Sue MacGregor (right) on BBC Radio Four's weekly phone-in, *Tuesday Call*. The Princess told one questioner that there were many occasions when she felt a bit nervous, but without that she probably would not do her job very well.

Channel 4 to spill political beans

Leading politicians will "spill the beans" on 15 years of British politics in a new series on Channel Four this autumn. The seven hour-long documentaries are among the highlights of a £28 million autumn schedule for the channel announced yesterday.

The series, *The Writing on the Wall*, will feature political figures of the years between 1966 and 1981 including Lord Wilson of Rievaulx, Mr Roy Jenkins, Mr Tony Benn, Mr James Prior, Mr Edward Heath, Sir Keith Joseph, Mr Enoch Powell, Lord Murray, Lady Faulkner, the widow of the former Ulster Prime Minister, Lord Faulkner and the late Lord George-Brown.

The programmes present a detailed study of changes in British politics. A spokesman said: "All the politicians *involved have been specially* interviewed for the series and they all spill some political beans."

Adultery will be the subject of a four-programme series *exploring fidelity and marriage* and the interaction between the ways adultery is portrayed in fiction and reported in fact.

Two documentaries will alternate with two filmed dramas. Contributors to one of the documentaries, which explores the historical roots of today's morality, include Mary Whitehouse, Brain Rix and Anna Raeburn.

***The Planets*, seven programmes about our neighbourhood in space, will put each planet in perspective, historically, culturally and scientifically. They coincide with National Astronomy Week in November and the arrival of Halley's Comet.**

Derek Jocobi will be seen in the Royal Shakespear Company production of *Cyrano de Bergerac* and Placido domingo in France. Zeffirelli's productions of *Cavalleria Rusticana* and *I Pagliacci*.

Father 'lost control' and stabbed teacher

A father told a murder trial jury yesterday he lost control when he plunged a knife into a teacher who had slept with this teenage daughter.

John Pink said he was disgusted when he found out that Mr Paul Yendall, a schoolmaster, aged 37, was spending the night with his daughter, Susan, aged 15.

He told Newcastle upon Tyne Crown Court: "I blew up. I walked towards him and at that point I wanted to kill him."

Mr Pink added that he wanted to kill Mr Yendall only when he went into the teacher's home and saw him sitting in a dressing gown. "I thought he had been to bed with my daughter," he said.

Mr Pink, aged 36, of Welbeck Road, Walker, Newcastle, denies murder but has formally admitted killing Mr Yendall last December. Mr Yendall taught the girl general studies at Middle Street Comprehensive School.

Mr Pink told the jury on the second day of his trial that he did not bother to take aim when he thrust the fishing knife into Mr Yendall's chest. "I looked into his eyes. His eyes were black. There was nothing in them. I lost all control completely," he said.

Mr Pink said he was now "full of regret". He added: "I will remember it for the rest of my life."

The jury has heard how Mr Pink managed to dodge past police outside the teacher's home in Hole Lane, Sunniside, Gateshead, by giving them a false name. He told the court the police had not taken him seriously when he made 999 emergency calls asking them to get his daughter back.

The court was told that the girl had boasted to Mr Pink's sister that she had slept wih Mr Yendall two months before the killing while on a school trip. But she denied the affair to her father.

The hearing continues today.

Plans for satellite TV service revived

By Bill Johnstone, Technology Correspondent

Britain is trying to revive its scheme for a satellite television service, by inviting interested companies to apply for a licence. The scheme was put into abeyance in June.

Yesterday, the Independent Broadcasting Authority invited applications from those groups interested in operating the satellite and asked for submissions from parties which might help the IBA to assess the project's commercial feasibility.

After about two years of indecision, the consortium of 21 organizations, including the BBC and the independent television companies, decided in June to abort its satellite *television project because of the* cost, which was expected to be more than £600 million in 10 years.

It is clear from the guidelines published yesterday that the Government has removed the restriction that the satellite must be British made. The insistence of government that the television satellite be made by a consortium of British Aerospace, GCE-Marconi and British Telecom was blamed as one of the main reasons why the consortium had blocked the project.

In theory, five television channels could be available to applicants, but it is likely that only three of those would initially be offered. Those could be offered to a single company or separately to different contractors. It is likely that the IBA and Home Office would insist that the companies be British.

The franchises will be awarded for a 12-year period and all applicants must give details of finance, the satellite to be used, what receivers subscribers to the service would need, and the timing of the launch of their service.

● The 24,000-strong broadcasting union, ACTT, yesterday submitted to the Peacock inquiry into BBC funding that there was no evidence that the pool of television advertising revenue would expand proportionately, with advertising on the service. In the subsequent competition for what revenue was available, advertising rates would drop and audience size would become the overwhelming programming criterion.

Surrogate baby plan condemned

A mother yesterday criticized as "sick" a plan by her son's widow to use his frozen sperm to have a baby by a surrogate mother.

Mrs Edith Proudfoot spoke out after Mrs Sonia Palmer, aged 23, of West Derby, Liverpool, said she wanted her sister to bear the baby. It was Mr David Palmer's dying wish that his wife have his child, but Mrs Palmer has only a one-in-six chance of conceiving because her fallopian tubes are blocked.

Her sister, Mrs Carole O'Neil, aged 27, has offered to carry the baby for her. The plan would involve Mrs Palmer having an egg removed from her womb, which would be fertilized and implanted in Mrs O'Neil's uterus.

Mrs Proudfoot, aged 44, of Wavertree, Liverpool supported Mrs Palmer having the baby by artificial insemination, but is "horrified" at the new twist.

She said: "I am dead against it. It is going too far. David would not have wanted this. It is making a circus out of my son."

Debt deal clears way for £8m films

An £8 million project to revitalize the British film industry will go ahead, after the resolution of a dispute over debts between one of the producers and the actors' and technicians unions.

The first film in the project, *Heroine*, starring Oliver Reed and Irina Brook, will start shooting in London next week, a spokesman for the independent film producer, Don Boyd, said yesterday.

Mr Boyd, the man behind the four-film project, and his lawyers have been negotiating for the past 18 months with the three unions within the Federation of Film Unions over nearly £250,000 of debts incurred during the filming in 1982 of Mr Boyd's half-completed film, *Gossip*.

Mr Boyd will now repay the money owed to the actors' union, Equity, the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians and the National Association of Theatre & Kine Employees.

Mr Boyd said that *Gossip* collapsed after shooting commenced when finance promised by two men did not appear. Interpol and British police have since been trying to trace the men.

Last month Mr Boyd said that although the unions accepted he had been defrauded over *Gossip*, they had consistently rejected his offers to repay the money in instalments over three years.

BA cuts Atlantic fares to boost autumn travel

Cuts of up to £30 in Atlantic air fares from next week were announced by British Airways yesterday in an attempt to boost autumn travel to the United States.

The London to New York stand-by is reduced from £179 to £149 with similar reductions to Boston, Miami, Tampa and Orlando, Florida, and £20 reduction on other US routes.

That is lower than Virgin Atlantic's standard £169 one-way fare to New York, although not its £129 same-day stand-by and comes within £2 of the £147 charged by the US price-cutting airline, People Express. Other main Atlantic airlines seem likely to follow BA's example.

Mr Paul Hopper, BA's general manager North Atlantic, said yesterday: "We want out passengers to have the benefit of the new attractive cut rates for the rest of this summer season and encourage poeple to fly to the USA".

British Caledonian said later they would cut their Atlantic flights by the same amount, reducing the New York standby to £149, the Houston, Atlanta and Dallas flight to £199, and that to Los Angeles to £219.

● Bournemouth-based Metropolitan Airways, which on Sunday grounded flights linking eight British cities, yesterday appointed a liquidator and said it will not resume services.

Ford unveils car of the future

By Clifford Webb
Motoring Correspondent

The Ford Eltec, described by the company as "the family car of the future", will make its debut at the Frankfurt motor show next week.

Extensive electronic systems have take over many of the driver's duties, and it is claimed to use 50mpg in congested city traffic.

A mini-computer continuously fine-tunes the engine, and selects the right ratio in the variable gearbox.

The driver still has the traditioanl accelerator pedal, but it is not connected mechanically to the engine. Instead, it feeds signals to the computer which then decides the most efficient combination of throttle and transmission ratio.

The futuristic body shell, with large areas of flush-fitting glass, is powered by a small 1.3-litre light alloy engine, with three valves per cylinder. It *runs on lead-free petrol, and* competes with Ford's "lean-burn" approach to cleaner exhaust gases.

The car's under-body retracts automatically at speed to improve its aerodynamic efficiency and further reduce petrol consumption.

The computer also controls the setting of a variable air suspension system reacting to loads and speed, prevents wheel spin and monitors an anti-lock braking system.

The sun-roof has five glass louvres and automatically closes when the ignition key is removed. A humidity sensor closes it at the first sign of rain.

The dashboard display is mounted on, and moves with the steering column so that the wheel does not mask the dials.

Mr Mike Westbrooke, Ford's manager of electronic research, said: "Although the car is futuristic, its emphasis is on practical, viable systems which can be used on ordinary production cars

The Ford Eltec, short for *electronic technology*, is a prototype research vehicle which is unlikely to go into production in its present form.

However, many of the electronic systems, its new lean-burn engine and the unusual body features will almost certainly appear in Ford cars within the next five years.



The Ford Eltec, which has a futuristic body shell and a sun-roof the computer closes when i rains. Inside, the *dashboard turns with the steering wheel so that the dials* are not obscured.

Jasmine social staff defended

By Tony Samstag

It is "quite monstrous" to expect social workers to deal with complex cases of child abuse, given the legislative and administrative confusion surrounding the issue, the independent inquiry into the death of Jasmine Beckford was told yesterday.

Mr Edward Thomas, representing Mr Denis Simpson, assistant director of social services at Brent, north London, at the time of the girl's death in July 1984, and Miss Carol Rogers, senior social worker for adoption and fostering, called for the establishment of special family courts and for training in child abuse cases to be extended to judges, lawyers and "all those who sit in judgement on the *needs of children*

Jasmine Beckford, aged four, and her younger sister Louise were in the care of Brent council when the elder child was battered to death by her stepfather, Maurice Beckford, aged 25, who was sentenced last March to 10 years imprisonment for her manslaughter. Her mother, Beverley Lorrington, also 25, received 18 months for *ill treatmentand neglect. The* inquiry at Brent Town Hall, finished hearing evidence in June after nine weeks of testimony from 80 witnesses, and has reconvened this week *to consider closing submissions*, most of which have been in writing.

The hearing was adjourned

Manx rabbit hunters on trail of £20,000 bounty

By Peter Davenport

The Isle of Man, famed for its tailless cats, is in danger of being overrun by the wild rabbit.

A population explosion has led the Manx government to try to bring numbers under control and protect crops by putting a bounty on the head, or rather the tail, of the humble bunny. From next Monday it will pay 35p for each fluffy tail produced at official receiving centres.

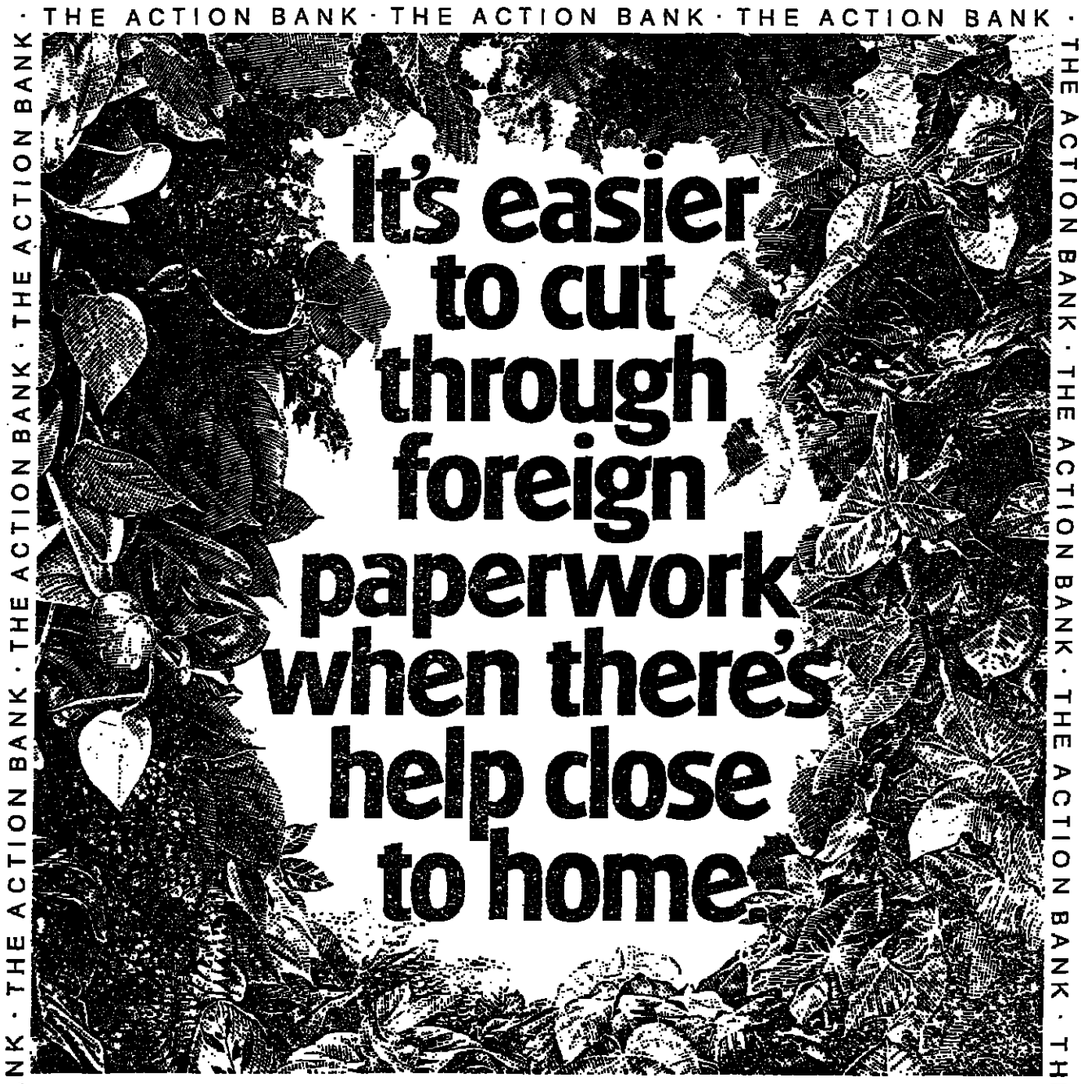
The Manx Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, which has started the scheme rather than a more controversial gassing programme in the warrens, has set aside between £15,000 and £20,000 to pay for the cull. Officials hope to see at least 30,000 tails handed in during the next few months.

There are no rules on how the rabbits should be culled. The favourite method on the island is known as "lamping". The rabbit is caught in a torch beam at night so that it becomes disoriented and an easy target for a dog. One islander who regularly uses the method as a sport said: "There is no reason why a man with a couple of good dogs should not be able to take at least 50 rabbits a night".

The rabbit problem is worst in an area known as the Ayres in the north of the island, a *stretch of wild land between* arable farms and the sea. Farmers have reported hundreds of rabits in a single field.

Officials attribute the population explosion of the past two years or to a drop in demand for wild rabbit meat after the myxomatosis outbreak and the fact that the island has no local petfood industry which could use the carcases. Shipping cargoes to mainland dealers is too expensive, but the Manx government is open to offers from any entrepeneur who could find a use for the expected haul.

The tails will be destroyed once they have been handed in, to prevent wily islanders trying to secure more than one payment. The bounty will be paid by cheque, not cash, and will have to be declared for tax.



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Miners' review

Scargill secures a narrow majority for refund and pit strike amnesty

Reports by Stephen Goodwin, Barbara Day and Howard Underwood

A future Labour Government should reimburse all the money lost by unions during the miners' strike, delegates at the Trades Union Congress in Blackpool decided by a narrow majority despite opposition from the general secretary, Mr Norman Willis.

Mr Arthur Scargill, National Union of Mineworkers president successfully moved a motion calling for the TUC to campaign for the next Labour Government to legislate to provide a complete review of all cases of jailed miners, reinstatement of dismissed miners, and reimbursement of money confiscated through fines, sequestration and receivership. The motion was carried by 4,649,000 votes to 4,585,000 votes.

'We are opposing the entire State'

Mr Willis said the TUC must not put unions in a special situation where they claimed a special deal from a Labour Government.

On a show of hands, delegates passed a second motion, supported by Mr Willis and the General Council, paying tribute to the miners and their families who faced "starvation and privation in their struggle against the National Coal Board's policy of pit closures."

The motion, moved by the National Union of Railwaymen, called on the General Council to maintain the hardship funds and consider ways in which trade unions could give further assistance, particularly in securing miners' jobs.

Mr Scargill, moving the motion, said it followed last year's unanimous support for the miners as they struggled to save "jobs, pits and mining communities".

It had been apparent to every one in the trade union movement that the NUM was not opposing an employer, in the form of the National Coal Board.

"We have been, and we are, opposing the entire state machine. Its intention is not merely to close the industry but, in the process, to destroy my union and, with it, the effectiveness of the TUC".

The financial assistance of Aslef, the NUR, the seamen, TGWU and many other unions and individuals had sustained the union.

The 25 pits threatened with closure at the beginning of 1984 were still open because the NUM took action.

But, Mr Scargill said: "9,000 of our people were arrested; 7,000 injured; 69 men are languishing in jail and they are political prisoners in 1985".

Justice demanded a review of those jailed. It was his understanding that that call had already been echoed by leaders of the Labour Party.

He was calling for the reinstatement of those dismissed. It was his understanding that the Labour Party was on record supporting the report of the select committee demanding a review of those dismissed and the TUC did not oppose that.

The motion also called for the reimbursement of the NUM and other unions who had money confiscated. Did he not have the right to ask Congress to campaign for such an aim? His union was in its present position because it had carried out congress policy of opposing redundancies.

'Railwaymen proud to stand by miners'

He was told this would present the Labour Party with an electoral liability. That was not true. It was Labour Party policy. The NEC in its report last year said that ways and means should be found between the TUC and the Labour Party of working out how to reimburse the fined unions.

Mr Terry Wilde, National Communications Union, who seconded the motion, said that the outcome of the strike had been a setback for the whole Labour and trade union movement. If that was to be overcome it was necessary to take into account all the factors, positive and negative, which frustrated the miners.

Mr Jimmy Knapp, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, moving the NUR and Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen motion and supporting the NUM resolution, said railwaymen were proud to stand by the striking miners.

Mr Willis asked delegates to support the railwaymen's motion.

Mr Willis said: "As to fines, sequestration and receivership of unions, we cannot and must not put unions in a special situation and claim a special deal from a Labour Government in the future."

'Unions respect the law'

Trade unions respected the law. One reason was that they wanted better and fairer laws. It would be particularly foolish to bring the idea of law itself into disrepute because they demanded laws to tame the economic jungle and end social injustice.

The General Council asked delegates to reject the demands of the NUM motion.

There was loud applause when the NUM motion appeared to be carried on a show of hands, but the chairman, Mr Jack Eccles, said he accepted a demand from the floor for a card vote.

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Social security

Ministerial review 'cynical charade'

Unanimous approval was given by the congress to a composite motion calling for a national campaign against the Government's proposals for the reform of the social security system.

Mr Raymond Buckton, chairman of the TUC's Social Insurance and Industrial Welfare Committee, said the word "review" had been used by the Government to hide a cynical charade.

He said Mr Norman Fowler, secretary of State for Social Services, and his colleagues set out to produce, and had produced, a set of Conservative Party policies. That was what the Green Paper reform of social security amounted to.

The motion demanded protection of the state earnings-related pension scheme, progress towards pensions of not less than half of average earnings, maintenance of the universal right to maternity and death grants, restoration of all cuts in the National Health Service since 1979 and adequate staffing in the Department of Health and Social Security to give an improved service.

Mr Larry Smith, moving the motion on behalf of the Transport and General Workers, said the Government's social security scheme had been sold as a simplification of the system. But it was just an excuse for cuts and reducing employment.

"It is Robin Hood in reverse. Robbing the poorest members of society by taking away their benefits to give tax cuts to the rich", he said.

Mr Chris Hynes, of the National League of the Blind and Disabled, who is blind, said the Green Paper proposed to introduce a social fund. To the disabled, that reintroduced, the degradation of the begging bowl.

AUEW dispute

Total opposition to 'anti-union' laws reaffirmed

On a show of hands delegates voted down a move by the electricians' union to force a reconsideration of TUC policy on non-compliance with employment legislation.

Mr Eric Hammond, secretary of the right-wing Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union, gave a warning that if his union and the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers were expelled from the TUC for accepting state money to conduct postal ballots "the main casualty would be the prospect of another Labour government".

The EETPU motion would have committed the TUC to review decisions on non-compliance reached at a special conference at Wembley in 1982. Instead congress passed a composite motion moved by the Transport and General Workers' Union reaffirming total opposition to the Government's "anti-union legislation".

The TGWU motion states that unions must not deliberately defy Congress decisions and calls for talks with the Labour Party to secure a commitment to repeal the Employment Acts of 1980 and 1982 and the Trade Union Act, 1984, during the first parliamentary session of a Labour Government.

In place of these Acts is proposed a framework of law to "extend collective bargaining and collective rights".

Mr Jack Carr, of the AUEW technical administrative and supervisory section, urged acceptance of the TGWU motion. "We must have unity of purpose. Unity demands discipline. Without unity and discipline we may as well pack up and go home."

Mr Clive Jenkins, secretary of the Association of Technical and Managerial Staffs, said in opposing the TGWU motion that Lord Cardigan had used the word "discipline" when he look upon these unions a family. They are family and I stand by that. I personally would not be a party to their expulsion on the basis of outdated policies."

Mr Norman Willis, TUC General Secretary, warned delegates that departing from the Wembley decision would be a signal that the movement was packing up its policy of opposition.

A review of the policy of non-compliance was unnecessary because they had already done it, Mr Willis said.

"The EETPU motion is an attempt to dump Congress policy, particularly on the issue of public funds for ballots. That would be wrong because it would undermine our opposition to the legislation and because of its implications for union independence from governments."

Mr Ron Todd, secretary of the TGWU, picked on Mr Jenkins' question as towhether a commander in battle would sent two regiments back to barracks. "The simple answer is 'yes'. You do if the have given notice of deserting," he said to applause.

Mr Todd added that if unions had shown more heart after the 1982 Wembley conference the National Graphical Association and the National Unin of Mineworkers would not have been smashed in industrial disputes.

Mr Hammond said he was more sad than angry at the opposition to the review proposed in the EETPU motion. "I am sad because it closes off yet another possibility of finding a way out of the catastrophic split that faces us."

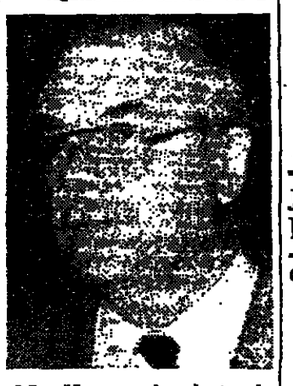
He suggested that certain unions might wish to see the EETPU and the AUEW expelled to pick up members.

Mr Hammond's defiance was greeted with shouts of "traitor" and one of "Judas".

Delegates also carried on a



Mr Todd criticizing Mr Jenkins.



Mr Hammond, electoral warning.

show of hands a motion calling the General Council to prepare in consultation with the Labour Party a "Bill of Rights for working people."

Mr Willis had urged the rejection of this motion as the mover, the National Communications Union, was unwilling to remit it for further consideration.

A Fire Brigade union motion opposing government plans to remove the right to strike from "essential services", was also carried.

CONFERENCE NOTEBOOK

Mr Jimmy Knapp emerged yesterday as the champion of the right of football hooligans. Speaking in the debate on the miners' strike, the railwaymen's leader warned delegates that the Prime Minister had advocated stopping hooligans' buses before they got to the ground, just as the police had stopped miners' pickets.

"These methods are going into every part of life," Mr Knapp thundered. He drew back from a detailed defence of the hooligans' way of life, wisely perhaps, as he might not have had the full support of his members who man the Saturday football specials.

Willis pays more attention to notes

Mr Norman Willis, TUC General Secretary, appeared to take a different view. "We are not departing from Wembley," he said.

But it turned out that Mr Willis, who paid more attention to his notes yesterday after his calamitous first day performance, was not urging delegates to dissociate themselves from English soccer fans. He was referring to the TUC's Wembley conference in 1982, when it resolved not to accept government money for ballots.

In the event the Congress did not depart from Wembley and opted to retain a policy which appears to mean the imminent expulsion of the AUEW, with the electricians pledged to walk out in support.

Mr Eric Hammond, the electricians' leader and foremost bowler boy, aimed his boot firmly in the direction of Mr Ron Todd, of the transport workers, who had made an emotional speech in favour of expelling the AUEW.

"Dinosaurs have big hearts too," said Mr Hammond, who went on to suggest that perhaps Mr Todd was not as gutless as he appeared and really wanted to kick out the engineers and electricians for his union to pinch their members. Booing and heckling did not worry Mr Hammond.

"Put us outside the TUC," he growled, "and declare open season on our members, and we will not lie quiescent waiting to be carved up." To shouts of "Judas" and "traitor" he promised that when it came to "unthinkable pacts and alliances, you ain't seen nothing yet."

Jenkins invokes the Light Brigade

One of the commonsense contributions came from Mr Clive Jenkins, who chose a military metaphor. He urged Congress not to follow the example of Lord Cardigan who sent the Light Brigade to their doom.

"The ranks are stressed and I think the General Staff ought to know that. In a battle do you send two Guards regiments back to the barracks? What military commander would do that?" Mr Todd, for one.

He insisted that the AUEW was sent to barracks because they had given "notice of desertion." The disciplinarians carried the day. This cleared the battlefield for the unions' answer to Lord Cardigan – Mr Arthur Scargill.

Undeterred by the appalling losses suffered by his troops, Mr Scargill drew his sabre and charged for the umpteenth time in defence of "pit jobs and mining communities."

On this occasion he wanted to commit the TUC and the Labour Party to reinstatement for dismissed miners and reimbursement of fines, confiscations and sequestrations – a sure vote-loser, as Mr Neil Kinnock, waiting in the wing, is well aware.

Rupert Morris

Left loses seats on council

By Glen Allen

The political balance of the TUC General Council, always weighted 2 – 1 in favour of the right wing of the Labour Party, remains unchanged after its annual election.

In the contest for 49 seats, the left-wing yesterday lost two, but saved the one they feared most at risk, that of Mr Raymond Buckton, general secretary of the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen.

Mr Buckton scraped in at the eleventh position in the major unions' 11 places on the main body. His survival owes much to the movement's magnanimity.

The right agreed that with only one year left to serve and with a record of dedication to the movement he should fulfill his final year.

Two other sitting left-wingers, Mr Charles McCarthy, of the National Society of Metal Mechanics, and Mr John Morton, of the Musicians Union, were deposed.

They were replaced by two new right-wingers, Mr Eric Nevin, of the National Union of Marine, Aviation and Shipping Transport Officers, and Mr Roy Grantham, of the Association of Professional, Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff.

Two more unions vote to keep paying levy

The Labour Party received yet another vote of confidence from the trade union movement yesterday as two more unions voted to keep cash flowing into the party.

These decisions, to continue what is known as the "political levy" – contributions automatically sent to the party from union members' subscriptions – were taken by the National Union of Seamen and the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association.

The votes by the two unions in national ballots mean that three million trade unionists are now committed to financial support for the Labour Party.

Mr Bill Keys, chairman of the Trade Union Coordinating Committee, which is campaigning for the right of unions to maintain financial support for the Labour Party, said yesterday: "Yet again Mrs Thatcher has been shown to be out of touch with the feelings of workers.

"She offered them the opportunity to opt out of financial support for the Labour Party, but they in turn have said that they do want to maintain their support for the party."

Help the managers, Steel says

By George Hill

The Trade union movement should turn its back on confrontation and work with management to promote industrial success, Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party, said at a meeting yesterday to launch a book he has edited, *Partners in one Nation*.

"I shall be talking to a fringe meeting at the TUC tomorrow on industrial partnership," he said. "Trade union leaders have a major role in persuading their movement that their own interests lie in getting a slice of the action.

"The trade union movement would be well advised to come to terms with the fact that it will have to turn its back on old-fashioned confrontation and start negotiating in a completely different way."

The book consists of a series of essays by Mr Steel and others, outlining a Liberal view of how society should develop



A pensive Mr Steel.

The contributors include (Professor Ralf Dahrendorf, former director of the London School of Economics, Lord Ezra, former chairman of the National Coal Board, Mr John Alderton, former Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall, Professor James Meade and Mr Richard Holme.

The book argues that industrial partnership and profit-sharing, with an independent permanent body to administer an incomes policy, are needed to avoid an increasing polarization of society.

"We have had a gush of policy papers from both the Liberals and the SDP, but this is intended to be something different – a long-term philosophical document to guide our policy-making", Mr Steele said.

"For a civilized society there must be some way of settling disputes about pay without confrontation". Professor James Meade said.

Ballot advice call

Ballots were now a fact of life, but it was up to individual unions to determine their nature, timing and extent so that there was no external interference, Mr Leif Mills, general secretary of the Banking, Insurance and Finance Union, said. He was successfully moving a motion calling on the general council to consider setting up a TUC ballot services department to advise on the conduct of union ballots.

Part-timers

Plan for work rights demanded

The plight of part-time workers was raised in a short debate initiated by Mr Tom Sawyer, of the National Union of Public Employees.

He moved a motion calling on the TUC to launch a campaign for a better deal for part-timers and to press the next Labour government for action. It was carried.

He said there were nearly five million people in part-time work, the vast majority of them women. Some worked for as little as £1.20 an hour and they had no tea breaks, no sick pay, poor holidays and no pensions. Mrs Margaret Prosser, Transport and General Workers' Union, seconding the motion, said more people were being forced into part-ime, low-paid work

Mrs Mary Turner, general, municipal, boilermakers and allied trades union, said many women had to work to provide the basic necessities of life. This motion should have been on the agenda in 1948, not 1985, she added.

Drug addiction is increasing and the users are younger

By Martin Fletcher

The number of drug offences, addicts and seizures all rose last year, according to statistics released by the Home Office yesterday. The figures also show that the use of the hard drugs is increasing and users are younger.

In London, which accounts for about half of Britain's addicts and offenders, the Metropolitan Police central drugs squad yesterday launched the most comprehensive drug abuse education programme yet produced.

According to the Home Office statistics, the number of registered drug addicts registered rose by 29 per cent to 5,415. More than half of those were under 25, and 4,900 (91 per cent) were addicted to heroin, a much higher proportion than in any previous year and a reflection of that drug's increased availability.

The numbers convicted for drug offences in 1984 rose by 7 per cent to 25,022.

Almost most offences involved cannabis, the numbers involving heroin, amphetamines and cocaine rose by 62, 25 and 24 per cent respectively to 2,430, 2,500 and 700. The number of drugs trafficking offences rose by 24 per cent to 4,100.

Nearly 30 per cent (7,200) of offenders were under the age of 21 and the mumber of offenders under the age of 17 increased by 17 per cent to 707.

Seizures of drugs rose by 9 per cent to 28,560 in 1984, but while seizures of soft drugs such as cannabis rose by just 5 per cent, seizures of hard drugs, particularly heroin, cocain and LDS, rose be 33 per cent. There was also an increase of 59 per cent to 2,497 of seizures of drugs on public premises.

Mr David Mellor, Under Secretary of State at the Home Office, said that the figures "provide clear confirmation – if confirmation were needed – that drug misuse is a major social problem in this country".

Although he drew some comfort from an apparent slowing in the rate of increase in some catagories, and from the improved performance of the police and customs, he said that "we are faced with a problem which has yet to peak".

The Government has doubled the number of customs specialist drugs investigators, announced the formation of the National Drugs Unit, provided £11.5 million for local tratment and rehabilitation projects, and embarked on a £2 million education and information campaign. Legislation to confiscate the proceeds of drug trafficking is being prepared.

The Metropolitan Police drug abuse education programme is being issued to 150 police community liaison officers in London.

The package, which includes 133 pages of notes and 75 slides, contains a list of drugs in use which gives details of their appearance, dangers, immediate effects and methods of use, a description of drug-takers' paraphernalia, advice on treatment, a list of London aid centres, drug statistics and a lexicon of underworld slang.

Det Supt David Stockley, the central drugs Squad's deputy head, said that police officers would be able to satisfy the increasing demand for talks and presentations from schools, parents, youth clubs and other interested professional and social groups.



The Mayor and Mayoress of Haringey, north London, who appeared before Bow Street magistrates yesterday charged with obstructing the police at an anti-apartheid demonstration.

Mr James Gardner, aged 55, and Mrs Kathleen Hollis, aged 32, both of Bracknell Close, Wood Green, were among 21 protesters arrested outside the South African embassy.

All were remanded on bail.

Wedding dresses theft charge

An Army officer appeared before magistrates in Salisbury yesterday charged with stealing dresses and materials worth more than £23,000 from two bridal gown shops in the city.

Lieutenant John Luckins, aged 22, of the Royal Corps of Signals, Tidworth, was remanded on bail until Monday

Secrets law 'undermines safety'

The Government's consumer watchdog yesterday called for the repeal of the Official Secrets Act which had become "one of the most universally reviled pieces of legislation".

The National Consumer Council's chairman, Mr Michael Montague, said: "This fearsome catch-all piece of legislation was actually pushed through Parliament in half an hour in 1911 in response to a spy scare.

"The right to know was one of the basic rights of consumers, Mr Montague said, but an obsession with secrecy undermined higher standards of health and public safety.

"British Gas monitors the defects found in new gas appliances, but these facts are not available to the general public. The Government collects facts on the safety record of cars, damage caused by heavy lorries and food additives, but refuses to disclose them," he said.

The NCC was particularly concerned about sections two of the Act "which makes it a criminal offence to disclose any official information without authority.

Ramblers call for footpath protection

By A Staff Reporter

The 49,000-member Ramblers Association yesterday called on the Country Landowners Association to reconsider a proposal it has put to the Government that would make trespassing by more than three people a criminal offence.

The ramblers also asked county councils to "get tough" with farmers and landowners who illegally plough up or obstruct public footpaths.

The CLA proposal is one of three recently put to the Home Office in the hope of protecting its members' land against invasion by hunt saboteurs, peace convoys, impromptu pop festivals, and the like.

The Ramblers' Association says it is worried that its members may inadvertently lay themselves open to prosecution because of the poor state of public footpaths.

The ramblers estimate that about a third of Britain's public footpaths are now unwalkable. In Cambridgeshire yesterday, Dr Geoff Eastwood, a member of the association's national executive, told walkers on the 2,000-mile Jubilee Walk, marking the association's 50th anniversary, that a survey in the south of the country had shown that only 726 of 1,276 paths inspected passed muster.

Of the rest, 405 were ploughed up, 75 needed bridges over ditches or rivers, 194 were overgrown, and 72 deliberately obstructed. The survey was conducted in 1982 and 1983.

Anxious father killed son

A father, anxious about his mentally-retarded son, attached a hose to the exhaust of his van in his garage and killed his son and himself, an inquest was told yesterday.

A jury returned a verdict that Mr John Hardy, aged 69, of Woodhouse Road, Finchley, killed himself and that his son Barry, aged 33, was unlawfully killed.

Another son, Mr Graham Hardy, of Thurlstone Avenue, north Finchley, said his father suffered a heart attack and became anxious when his son had to remain in a residential home and returned home only at weekends.

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Tamil extremists turn on moderates as ex-MPs are murdered

From Vijitha Yapa, Colombo

Events in Sri Lanka's Northern Province took a bizarre turn when two politicians belonging to the moderate Tamil United Liberation Front (TULF) were killed by Tamil Guerrillas of the extremist Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam yesterday security sources said.

The former MPs, one of whom was the administrative secretary of the TULF, were kidnapped from their homes on Monday night and their bullet-ridden bodies found nearby on Tuesday. Two former MPs are missing, feared dead.

In the Eastern Province, the rebels attacked the Eravur police station near the coastal city of Batticoloa on Monday night.

Seven policemen died, 12 were injured and six are missing. The police station was destroyed. Guerrillas used rockets and grenades in the attack, the most serious violation of the uneasy three-month ceasefire which began on June 18.

The two former MPs who died, Mr V. Dharmalingam and Mr A. Alalasundram ceased to be MPs when they refused to take an oath of allegiance to the unitary state of Sri Lanka in 1983, which was compulsory for all MPs after a constitutional amendment.

Mr Alalasundram had been shot in the leg in 1983 by the rebels as a warning for his stand against extremism.

Sources in Jaffna said the killings were to ensure the TULF did not negotiate with the Government. At the weekend, there were suggestions that the TULF and one of the guerrilla groups, the People's Liberation Organization of Tamil Eelam (PLOTE) might sign a pact with the Government before September 18, on the lines of the working paper prepared in Delhi last week after discussions between Mr Hector Jayewardene, the brother of President Jayewardene, and Indian Foreign Secretary Mr Romesh Bhandari.

The devolution proposals, to be presented to the Sri Lanka Cabinet today, include elected provincial councils with provincial Cabinets akin to those existing in Indian states.

There was speculation that the killings may lead to fighting among the guerrilla groups. Dharmalingham Siddharatnam, son of the former MP, Mr V. Dharmalingam, who died yesterday, was a representative of the PLOTE group which participated in the discussions in Thimpu, Bhutan in mid-August when guerrillas and the TULF met a Sri Lanka government delegation to discuss a solution to the ethnic crisis.

The talks broke down when Tamil groups walked out after alleging atrocities against Tamil civilians by Sri Lanka's armed forces.

The leader of the Tamil Tigers, Mr V. Prabhakaran, went underground in Tamil Nadu in south India in late August after the Indian Government issued deportation orders on three Tamil militants, including his spokesman, British passport-holder Mr S. Balasingham.

His disappearance thwarted the plans of Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, to bring the leaders of the Tamil guerrilla groups to Delhi to seek a settlement after restarting talks.

The Tigers' leader and Mr Uma Maheswaram, the PLOTE leader, are rivals. When four of the Tamil guerrilla groups formed an alliance called the Eelam National Liberation Front (ENLF) in Madras last year, Mr Uma Maheswaram's PLOTE was not included.

A senior Cabinet minister in Sri Lanka said: "It is reminiscent of Punjab with the murder of Longowal, but in this case, the base of the Tamil terrorists is in Madras and the action is direct slap on Mr Gandhi's efforts to bring peace. So what will he do now.



Mr Gorbachov (right) meeting Senator Byrd in Moscow yesterday

US rejects debate through the media

From Michael Binyon, Washington

President Reagan is willing to meet Russian leader Mikhail Gorbachov "half way" at their summit talks in November, but he is not prepared to conduct a debate through the media, the White House said yesterday.

Giving a first response to the sharp accusations by the Soviet leader that the US had created a "climate of hate" and was trying to put pressure on the Soviet Union, a White House spokesman said the White House views of the causes of US-Soviet tension were "quite different" from those presented by Mr Gorbachov.

He added, in a reference to an interview with Mr Gorbachov in *Time* magazine: "But we do not intend to enter into a debate in the media. Preparations for the meeting in Geneva are best conducted in confidential, diplomatic channels" he added acidly "We are pleased that Mr Gorbachov was able to present his views to the American public. If President Reagan had a comparable opportunity to present his views to the Soviet people, through the Soviet media this would, doubtless, improve our dialogue and indicate the Soviet willingness to accept a degree reciprocity in an important aspect of our relations."

The spokesman said Mr Reagan believed the US had always dealt with the Russians "in a realistic fashion". He welcomed Mr Gorbachov's statement that he was prepared to submit serious proposals to improve relations. But the US recognized that there were serious differences, which it would not hesitate to point out. Mr Gorbachov's interview with Time Magazine published this week did not change the US approach to the summit.

The White House said yesterday that in President Reagan's letter to Mr Gorbachov, delivered by Senator Robert Byrd in Moscow, yesterday, he said he was looking forward to meeting him in November, but had proposed no new initiatives.

The agenda Mr Reagan wants at the meeting, according to the White House, includes arms control, regional issues such as the Middle East, Africa, Central America and Afghanistan, bilateral questions and human rights.

Moscow: Gorbachov conferred with a group of leading US senators here and greeted Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd and his delegation in a sparsely-decorated meeting room in the heart of the Kremlin.

US officials said the senators spent three and a half hours in the Kremlin, but no details of the talks were available ahead of a press conference later.

Mr Byrd, from West Virginia, said on arrival in Moscow on Saturday he was delivering a message from President Reagan and he hoped his visit would pave the way for the November 19-20 summit.

Mob throws women into lagoon

Abidjan (AFP) – Four Ghanaian women wer missing yesterday after an angry crowd here threw them into a lagoon and looted Ghanaian-owned shops in rioting which followed violence at a football match in Ghana, a Ghanaian Embassy official said here.

The rioting started as injured Ivory Coast supporters started returning from Sunday's match in Ghana. At least 40 wounded Ghanaians fled into the embassy premises, where they are still hiding, the official said.

The four women, one pregnant, were thrown into the water in the Abomo-Doume neighbourhood of Abidjan, he said.

Honduran soldiers kill baby

Geneva (AFP) – Honduran soldiers hunting guerrillas killed two Salvadorean refugees, one a baby, and wounded dozens of others at Colomoncagua camp near the Salvadorean border, the United Nations High Commissioner for refugees said here yesterday.

A spokesman said scores of soldiers entered the UN-run camp last Thursday and opened fire for no apparent reason. Honduran soldiers were still in the camp, he said.

● TEGUCIGALPA: Honduran radio stations have accused US troops of involvement in the arrest and torture of a Honduran nurse (Reuter reports).

Radio America and HRN, the country's most popular stations, said two UD soldiers and two Honduran security security officers last week seized Rosa Amalia Almendarex from her home in the village of Juncal, 125 miles north of here. They quoted relatives as saying she was tortured during two days of captivity.

The allegations coincided with a visit here by the head of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff, General John Vessey. Honduras is Washington's closest ally in Central America and the US maintains a strong military presence here.

Briton dies in Alps plane crash

By Our Foreign Staff

The British pilot of a light Piper Arrow aircraft was killed and his three British passengers were seriously injured, when the plane crashed into a hillside near Annemasse in Haut Savoie, France on Monday.

Police indentified the dead man as Frank Buckland, aged 52, from Essex. The passengers – his wife, May, and Mr and Mrs Martin Sycamore from London – were taken to hospital.

The Piper Arrow had just taken off from the Annemasse airfield when it suddenly lost height, then nose-dived and crashed. It was one of eight on an exchange trip in the French Alps.

The Highlight of the weekend trip was an Alp-hopping tour round the mountains. Disaster struck on Monday afternoon as the party was leaving to return home.

The flying club's secretary, Mr Ken Terry said: "It's a terrible tragedy. We often go over to Annemasse in the summer and the French club members come here. It had been a perfect weekend until this happened. "The cause of the crash is still a mystery. Frank Buckland was a highly experienced flyer and one of our longest-serving members."

Mulroney's first year

Canada waits for bold leadership

From John Best, Ottawa

A recent front-page headline in the *Financial Post*, a respected Canadian economic and political weekly, read: "Mulroney knows it's action time."

The headline said a lot about the position – one could almost say the plight – of Mr Brian Mulroney's Conservative Government one year after it received an overwhelming electoral mandate from Canadian voters.

The Prime Minister, a quick-witted, square-jawed Quebecois of Irish descent, has shown a surprising lack of decisiveness since being elected last September on a pledge to turn Canada in new directions after long years of rule by successful Liberal Governments.

Some forceful leadership will be needed if he is to stop the erosion of public support. A recent opinion poll showed the Tories with only 40 per cent support, down from 50 per cent on election day.

Ironically, Mr Mulroney has been hurt in his first year by an issue which he effectively exploited in the 1984 campaign: patronage appointments to well-paid government jobs.

A string of appointments of well-known Tories by the new Prime Minister has made many Canadians wonder where the new morality is that he talked about.

The Government's greatest setback, however, has come from its half-hearted attempt to do something about the Can$36 billion (£19 billion) budget deficit. To help bring it down, the Government proposed in a spring budget to reduce the present indexation of old-age pensions against increases in the cost of living.

This caused such a furore in Parliament and in the country that Mr Mulroney backed down, leaving some Canadians to wonder about his fortitude under fire, while failing to reassure others about his commitment to social-welfare programmes.

Now, the opposition parties, scenting blood, are sharpening their knives for a renewed attack on the budget when Parliament re-opens next Monday.



Mr Mulroney: in trouble on the budget deficit

Many critics have also accused Mr Mulroney of being wishy-washy on two big foreign-affairs questions now facing Canada: whether to participate in Star Wars research, and whether to seek a free-trade agreement with the United States. However, he still has time to blunt such criticism with some bold action – which he has promised.

The Tories' first year in office has been marked by solid though unspectacular legislative progress, with a full slate of Bills being pushed through Parliament. They include a measure to make foreign investment more welcome in Canada, giving effect to a prominent Tory campaign promise.

Furthermore, they have had some success in reducing unemployment – another campaign pledge. And they should be able to benefit for some time yet from the deep-rooted, popular disenchantment with the Liberals that showed up in the election results, when the Tories won 211 out of 282 Commons seats. (Between 1935 and 1984, the Liberals were out of office just seven years).

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	35	£14,858	£20,329	£53,366
	49	£7,203	£7,618	£11,552
£20	18	£40,557	£79,353	£418,138
	35	£20,017	£27,387	£71,896
	49	£9,704	£10,263	£15,563
£25	18	£51,010	£99,806	£525,910
	35	£25,176	£34,446	£90,426
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	49	£2,245	£3,486
£20	18	£40,281	£213,174
	35	£11,940	£31,694
	49	£3,024	£4,696
£25	18	£50,666	£268,132
	35	£15,018	£39,863
	49	£3,804	£5,907
£30	18	£61,046	£323,063
	35	£18,095	£48,031
	49	£4,583	£7,117

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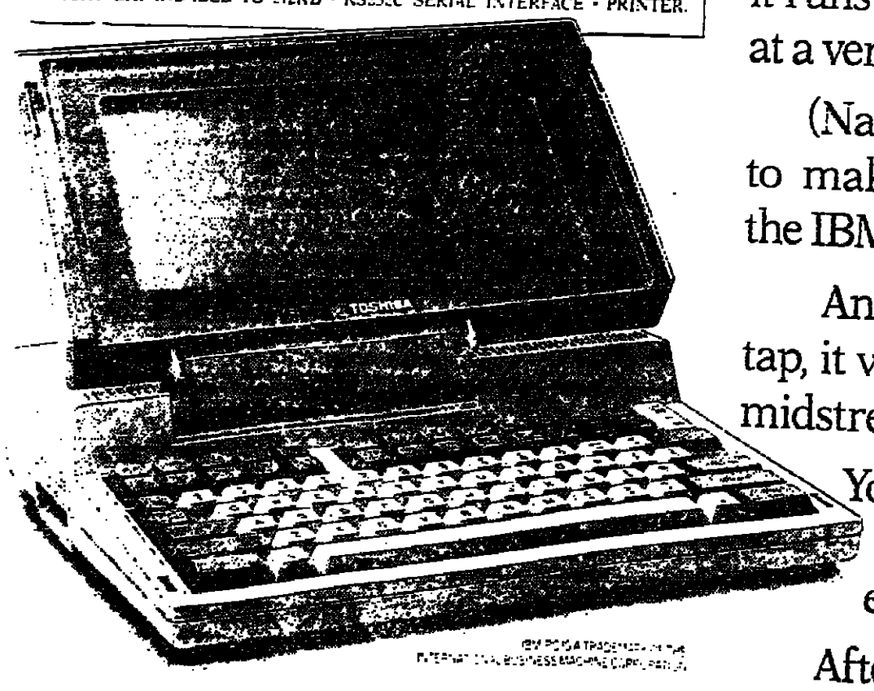
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Australian judge gets jail term for attempt to sway hearing

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

Mr Justice Lionel Murphy, a High Court judge and former Australian federal attorney-general, was sentenced to 18 months imprisonment yesterday for attempting to pervert the course of justice.

Although he thus became the first Australian judge to be sentenced to imprisonment, he remained free on bail pending an appeal on 21 points of law. He left court saying he had no intention of resigning from the Bench.

The third-ranking judicial officer in Australia, he was convicted of attempting to influence committal proceedings against Mr Morgan Ryan, a Sydney solicitor and friend. The case is being cited as symbolizing the way in which the Australian concept of friendship is compromising integrity in public life.

Mr Justice Cantor, passing sentence in the New South Wales Supreme Court, referred to the case of Mr Murray Farquhar, formerly chief magistrate of New South Wales, who was jailed earlier this year for four and a half years for a similar offence.

The maximum term facing Mr Murphy, under a different code, was two years, and Mr Cantor said he had anxiously considered evidence of good character before deciding to pass a custodial sentence.

"His political life, his service as a senator and as a minister of the Crown (in the Whitlam government) prior to his appointment to the High Court Bench his service to the High Court itself all demonstrated his public service."

But Mr Murphy's conviction "must result in a penalty which reflects abhorrence of this court. The commission of this crime has done a terrible injury to the administration of justice and in the minds of many has adversely affected and raised doubts as to the integrity and standing of every judge".

There has been debate over whether sentence ought to be passed before reference to the court of appeal. Yesterday Mr Cantor said he had decided that to delay sentence would be to depart from regular practice in trials and would savour of special treatment.

The trial also acquired political overtones. Mr Murphy is associated with the left of the Labour Party and his conviction gave rise to petitions from trade unions protesting his innocence

Moroccan militants sentenced to death

Rabat (Reuter) – Fourteen Moroccans were sentenced to death in Casablanca after being convicted of plotting to overthrow the monarchy and set up an Islamic regime, the national news agency reported yesterday.

Five of the condemned men were in court and nine were tried in their absence, including Abdelkrim Moutii, leader of the Islamic Youth movement, accused of planning urban terrorism with arms and explosives smuggled in from Algeria.

The rest of the 26 accused were jailed for terms ranging from five years to life.

Three of the main defendants admitted to being trained in camps in Algeria run by Polisario guerrillas fighting Morocco for Western Saharan independence.

The prosecution said they were given arms and cash by the Algerian military and planned acts of terrorism in the main cities.

● TINDOUF, ALGERIA: Two West Germans captured by Polisario guerrillas on August 22 off the coast of Western Sahara were handed over to a West German diplomat at a refugee centre near here (AFP reports).

Herr Herbert Beyer, aged 32, an engineer, and Herr Michel Grossmann, aged 26, an electrician, had been on their way from Tangiers to Banjul in The Gambia, when their boat broke down and was seized.



Police in Guatemala City patrolling the city centre to disperse people protesting about a 50 per cent rise in bus fares introduced this week.

President blames himself for shootout

Guayaquil (Reuter) – President Febres Cordero of Ecuador said he took responsibility for the storming of a guerrilla lair in which a kidnapped banker died in a shootout.

He wanted the law to be reformed so that kidnappers found guilty of murder would be sentenced to life imprisonment.

Nahim Isaias was shot on Monday when police and troops stormed a house where he was being held. He died in hospital of chest wounds less than an hour after the pre-dawn raid. Four of the guerrillas who kidnapped Isaias on August 7 and were holding him in Guayaquil, also died.

The kidnappers were members of Ecuador's Alfaro Vive Carajo movement and M-19.

Suspicion over policy

Rajiv party denies fixing Punjab poll

From Richard Ford
Delhi

Leaders of India's ruling Congress (I) party deny that weak and inexperienced candidates have been chosen for the Punjab elections with the aim of helping the Sikh Akali Dal party to win.

It is widely suspected however, that there has been a deliberate policy by the ruling party to ensure relatively easy victories for leading Akali Dal figures. Party chiefs publicly insist that they are campaigning to win and to form the next State Administration, but in private there are those who think the best solution would be an Akali Dal Government which would have to deal with Sikh extremism.

Both parties have denied rumours of secret deals which could bring an Akali Dal Congress (I) coalition Government after the State elections on September 25.

Mr Surjit Singh Barnala, acting president of the Akali Dal, said his party would only form a government if it had a majority of the 117 seats in the State Assembly. He ruled out any possibility of seeking the help of Congress (I) if it failed to achieve an overall majority.

Mr Kamlapati Tripathi, working president of the Congress (I) said the organization had not deliberately fielded weak candidates to allow the Sikh party to win. Candidates had been selected to win by large margins and he confidently predicted: "We shall form the Government.

Either in line with Mr Rajiv Gandhi's policy of promoting a new generation of legislators or because he wants to help the Akali Dal, the Indian Prime Minister's party has nominated 80 new men and women and only 37 former Assembly members as candidates for the state legislature.

A record 1,956 nominations have been received for the 117 Assembly seats and 180 for the 13 seats in the Lok Sabha (Lower House of Parliament). Among those reported to have handed in nomination papers for an Assembly seat is Mrs Birmal Khalsa, widow of Beant Singh, who was shot by security guards after he assassinated Mrs Indira Gandhi last October. His brother, Mr Shamisher Singh, is believed to be a Lok Sabha candidate.

Policeman killed

A policeman was shot dead and 20 people were wounded in bomb and gun attacks by a gang of 10 people at a railway station in southern Andhra Pradesh state, the Press Trust of India said (AFP reports).

The gang bombed the local police station before escaping. There was no indication of who was responsible or the reasons for the attack.

Democracy under fire

Old values queried as slump sets in

SINGAPORE IN RECESSION
Part 2

The economic downturn in Singapore has prompted a public reassessment of the country's commitment to democracy. In the second of his two-part series on the impact of recession, South-East Asia Correspondent ***Paul Routledge*** *examines its social and political issues.*

In a recent speech to the Democratic Socialist Club of Singapore's National University, the Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Goh Chok Tong argued that the parliamentary democracy inherited from Britain had worked "so far".

"But we must beware of its one structural weakness," he said. "The democratic system of government does not have a stabilizer to steady the ship against waves of popular demands that want to be satisfied immediately."

Mr Goh, relatively unknown in the West, is a key figure in the new generation of political leaders gradually taking over the reins of power in Singapore. He has been thinking aloud in this and similar vein since it became clear that the economy was in real trouble.



Mr Goh: fear of a freak election result.

In a series of speeches to chosen audiences – the students, the National Press Club, the Harvard Club of Malaysia – he has sharply upped the stakes from a discussion on the immediate measures required to combat industrial decline to an urgent demand to know, in effect, "are you with us all the way?"

At first sight, it would appear to be a superfluous question. To most Western eyes, the People's Action Party is unassailable in Government. It has a 77-2 majority in parliament, and it is less than 10 months into a five-year term of office. It is the only mass party. The opposition is weak and divided.

Furthermore, its role as a paternalist, if authoritarian, government is buttressed by the cultural legacy of Confucianism, the common heritage of the Chinese

Yet ministers like Mr Goh openly profess a fear that a freak election result could rob the PAP of power and give the people a government it would heartily wish it had never put into office. It is pointed out that in the period of unrivalled prosperity between 1980 and 1984, the PAP share of the vote fell from 76 per cent to 63 per cent.

The Deputy Prime Minister asks whether prolonged peace and prosperity contain the seeds of their own destruction. "I hope the day will never arrive when waiting for general election results is like watching the flip of a coin, then we have reached the upper limits of our prosperity."

These are rather far-flung anxieties to be aired at a time when ministers are asking the people – and foreign investors – to keep their cool and there is no way to gauge how well-founded they might be.

Opposition MP, Mr J. B. Jeyaretnam (Workers Party), insists: "There is economic discontent, and it is growing. It would have broken out earlier but the PAP has managed to maintain its hold by the fear it has created. But the old order is breaking down, there is no doubt about that. This society is in transition, the PAP sees that as the road to chaos: the people are not prepared to accept that any more."

Ironically, the PAP agrees that society is in transition. "The political leadership is changing gear. The whole country is shifting gear. The younger electorate is pushing out the older voters in voting power. Conservative Asian values are being rolled back by liberal, Western values," says Mr Goh.

There is, of course, something self-contradictory in the very nature of the hybrid Oriental-Western society that the PAP is trying to build. At one and the same time the population is urged to emulate the material, individual wealth of the Swiss and cling to the "nanny knows best" values of Confucian philosophy.

Professor Chang Heng Chee, professor of political science at the National University, argues in the best-available study of one-party PAP dominance that its hold would depend on the ability of the leaders to maintain the pace of economic development and prosperity.

She was writing a decade ago, and her analysis might now be updated to include a recognition of the stake that Singaporeans now have in the relative affluence that democracy, Lee Kuan Yew style, has achieved.

Concluded

Liberal showdown leads to Canberra crisis vote

From Our Correspondent, Sydney

A showdown at the top of Australia's opposition Liberal Party became inevitable yesterday when Mr Andrew Peacock, the leader, and Mr John Howard, his deputy, failed to resolve their differences at a shadow Cabinet meeting.
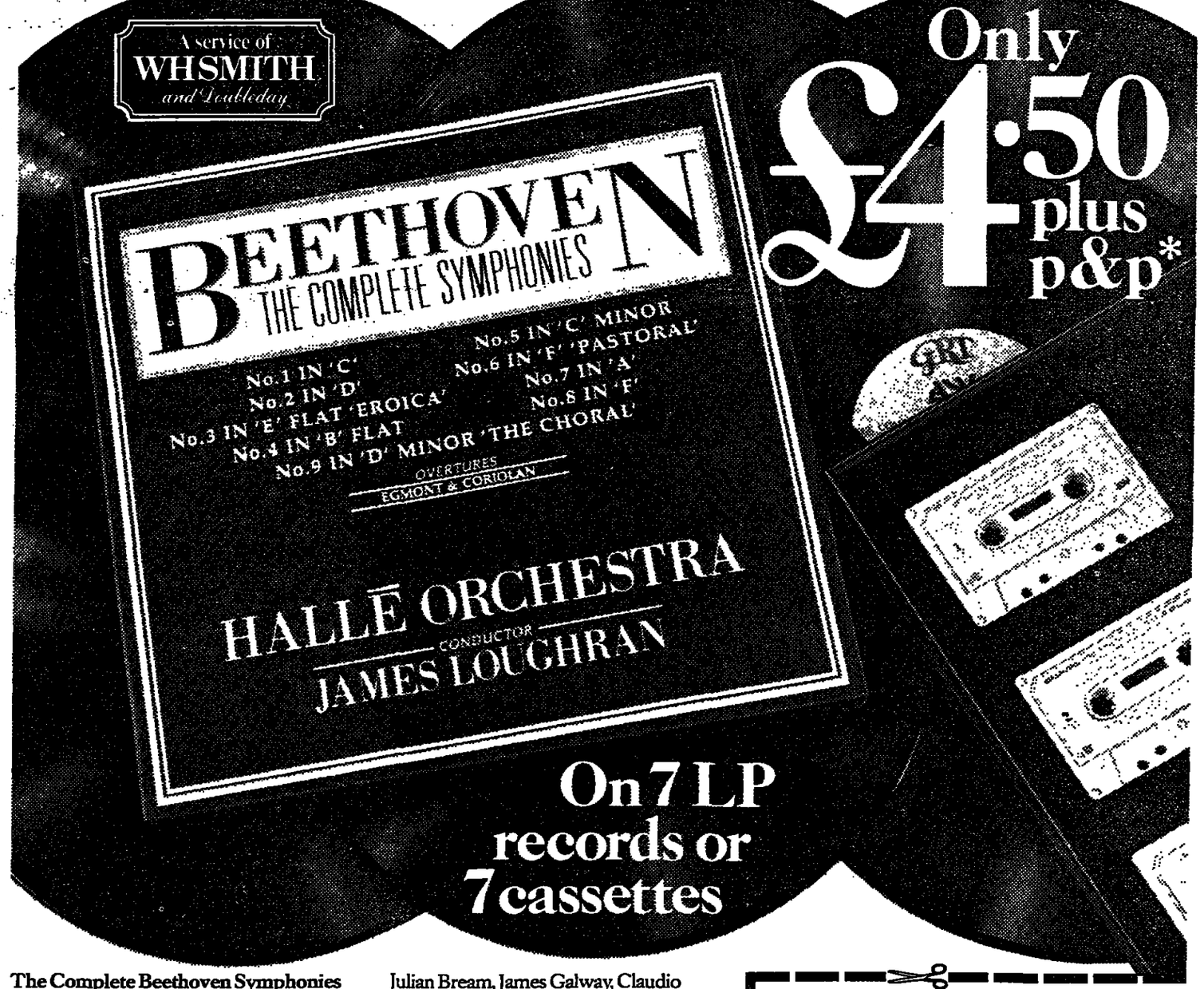
After several hours of talks in Canberra it was announced that leadership positions would be declared vacant tomorrow and thrown open to election. Mr Howard is fighting an attempt to replace him as deputy leader.

After recent media speculation, Mr Peacock had sought an unequivocal statement from Mr Howard that he would not challenge for the leadership before the next election. Mr Howard had declined to comply.

Apparently in the belief that Mr Peacock can summon a majority tomorrow, Mr Howard said he would not stand for the leadership but was confident of being re-elected deputy. But Mr Peacock said: "I expect to be returned as leader and I expect a new deputy".

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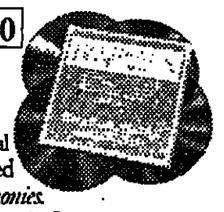
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New Lebanon war looms as car bombing and abductions raise tension

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

Despite all Syria's promises of peace, another war is shaping up in Lebanon. A suicide car-bombing, a retaliatory artillery bombardment and a new wave of sectarian kidnaps demonstrated yesterday just how soon it might come.

The closing of Beirut's front line had by evening led to gun battles outside bakeries as crowds discovered that bread was running out in the Muslim sector of the capital.

At dawn, the car bomber, indentified later as a member of the Arab Socialist Baath Party, the Lebanese branch of Syria's only political party, rammed his vehicle into a checkpoint normally manned by militiamen from the Israeli-backed "South Lebanon Army" near Jezzine.

Despite the usual exaggerated claims of massive casualities among the SLA – 62 was the figure being trumpeted on Lebanese television yesterday – the man appears to have killed only himself. The SLA had not yet turned up for their road-block duties when the car bomber immolated himself.

Nevertheless, within a few hours, artillery rounds began to explode around three Shia Muslim villages not far from Nabatiyah, fired either by the SLA or by the Israeli's. There were no reports of casualties from the villages, which are only three miles from Israel's buffer zone in southern Lebanon.

But the retaliatory bombardments after such suicide bombings are fast becoming a regular feature of the war in the south. So too, are the posthumous video-taped appearances of the bombers. Yesterday it was the turn of the "martyr" Issam Ahmed Hussein Khodr to grace a new set of Baath party posters, dressed in military tunic and holding an AK47 rifle.

Far more serious, however, is the deteriorating situation in Beirut and the mountains to the east. Yesterday morning, a Christian radio station reported that 60 Christian Maronites had been kidnapped from their homes in the Metn hills by Druze gunmen. The report was unconfirmed, but almost at once there were more reports of abductions along the front line in Beirut.

The number of Christians and Muslims seized over the past few weeks had by yesterday morning reached such proportions that the Lebanese Army closed the only road across the line in an effort to prevent more kidnappings.

Throughout west Beirut, there are rumours that both the Druze and the Shia Muslim Amal militia are preparing for more artillery battles. The lawlessness on the streets of the western sector – which Syria promised to eradicate – has returned. There is sniping every night again along the front line. If there are omens in this, they are all bad.

Israel imposes curfew after knifing of troops in Hebron

From David Bernstein, Jerusalem

Two Israeli soldiers were seriously injured in the West Bank town of Hebron yesterday continuing the cycle of violence which has elicited a tough Israeli crackdown on the areas since the beginning of August. Yesterday, 20 more administrative detention orders were served overnight on West bank residents.

This was followed by the decision of military review board to reject appeals submitted by three West Bank residents against the expulsion orders served on them last week. The spate of expulsion and administrative detention orders served since the beginning of last month does not, however, appear to have stemmed the violience on the West Bank.

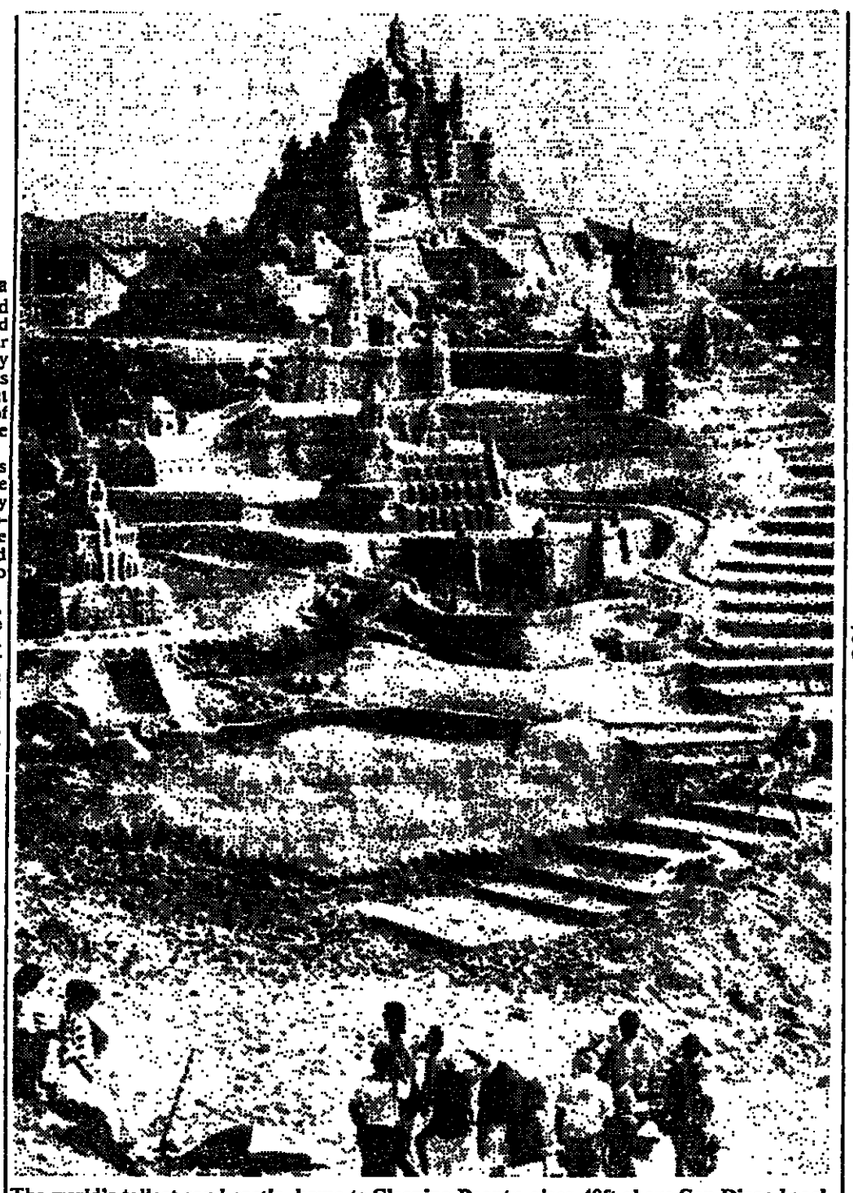
Yesterday's attack on the soldiers who were knifed while patrolling the streets of the overwhelmingly Arab town comes after assaults on Israeli civilians in Hebron in the past six weeks in which four were killed and several others injured. A curfew was imposed in the town yesterday as security forces searched for the assailants.

According to Palestinian sources, among those arrested on Monday night were the chairman of the students' council at the Hebron Technical College and A Ramallah journalist Mr Kamel Jebail. Several other student leaders and at least one other journalist – Mr Qadura Mussa of the East Jerusalem daily *Al-Fajr* – are among the 54 West Bank people detained without trial since the beginning of August.

The military review board yesterday turned down the appeals of Mr Amin Ramzi Darwish Makul, Mr Walid Ahmad Mahmoud Mazil and Mr Bahahat Mustafa Hassan al-baida Jeousi.

All three were served with expulsion orders last week after the West Bank attacks. They were expected to take their appeal to the Supreme Court where their chances of having the expulsion orders revoked, after the military board's ruling, are seen as remote.

Israel radio reported yesterday that the Army had started to curtail movements at night in the occupied Golan Heights, where there has been an upsurge in hostile activities.



The world's tallest sand castle, home to Sleeping Beauty, rises 40ft above San Diego beach in California. It took a week to build and 15,000 tons of sand.

Spy row minister defies his critics

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

Herr Friedrich Zimmermann, the Minister of the Interior, formally responsible for the debt-ridden and alcoholic defector Hans Joachim Tiedge having been kept as a West German counter-espionage official, said in parliament yesterday that he had known nothing of his "special life circumstances".

The Government's majority ensured that an Opposition motion calling for Herr Zimmermann's dismissal was defeated by 275 votes to 214. The liberal Free Democrates, the junior partners in the ruling coalition, voted with the Government.

Earlier, Herr Hans-Jochen Vogel, leader of the Social Democratic parliamentary opposition, described it as "highly improbable" that Herr Zimmermann had not known. This inconsistency emerged in a debate on the affair, a debate noisy by the standards of the Bundestag.

Herr Vogel, anxious in an effective speech to make the most either of Herr Zimmermann's knowledge or his ignorance, added that if the minister had not known," it showed only that he had failed to take a proper interest in matters for which he was responsible".

The climax of Herr Vogel's speech was addressed directly to Chancellor, Kohl, sitting next to Herr Zimmermann: "Herr Chancellor, pull yourself together. Show some spiritual and moral leadership. Dismiss Herr Zimmermann from his office." This latter Herr Kohl showed no sign of doing. He is thought to have been urged privately to do so by some of his Christian Democrat colleagues.

But Herr Zimmermann is a member of the conservative component of the coalition, Herr Franz Josef Strauss's Christian Social Union. Herr Kohl is already assured to have suffered electoral damage from Herr Strauss's criticism, and has only recently been able to arrange a truce with him.

This would not survive if Herr Zimmermann were sacrificed. In procedural terms, yesterday's debate was on a social democratic motion calling for the dismissal of Herr Zimmermann. Herr Kohl seized on this to say that, to dismiss Herr Zimmermann would be to play into the hands of the East German espionage service.

"It would mean that the intelligence services of other countries are given the power to decide on the time a government minister here can stay in office." This argument was derided by the Social Democrats.

Herr Zimmermann's speech hinged on his insistence that the first he knew of the defector's personal problems was on August 21, the day the defection became known. The counter-intelligence officials where Herr Tiedge worked had never given th Ministry of the Interior any information about these problems.

Herr Heribert Hellenbroich, head of Herr Tiedge's office, know of them. But, Herr Zimmermann said, the counter-espionage office had decided to try to help him overcome them.

Herr Hellenbroich had been dismissed once the scandal broke. As for his own ministry, Herr Zimmermann said: "Even applying the strictest criteria, I can only establish that the Ministry of the Interior has always acted correctly."

Strikes spread across Bolivia

La Paz (Reuter) – Strikes spread across Bolivia yesterday as labour leaders prepared to study calls for an indefinite general stoppage in protest at tough economic measures against five-figure inflation.

Miners and workers in Cochabamba, Bolivia's second most populated province, were joined by factory, oil and transport workers in La Paz and other departments in 24-hour, two-day or open-ended stoppages.

President Victor Paz Estenssoro's economic package, including a four-month freeze on public employee's wages and an effective currency devaluation of over 93 per cent, touched off 10-fold rises in some food prices.

Nixon welcomed back to China

Peking (AP) – Thirteen years after he restored Sino-US relations, former President Nixon returned to Peking and said progress had been less than hoped for but more than realistically expected.

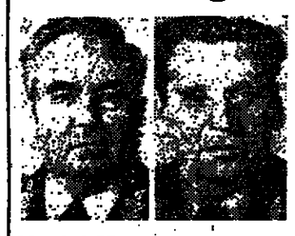
The Chinese Foreign Minister, Wu Xuegian, praised Mr Nixon's foresight for starting the process that led to full restoration of diplomatic relations in 1979.

Australian freed in heroin trial

Kuala Lumpur (Reuter) – Malaysia's High Court has freed Mr Sebastian Robert Pavone, a former Australian weightlifting champion who had been jailed for life for heroin trafficking.

Mr Justice V. C. George told a packed court there were "missing links" in the prosecution's evidence.

Still in charge



Marshal Viktor Kulikov (left), who appears to have retained his post as chief of the Warsaw Pact forces. It has been rumoured that he had been replaced by Marshal Nikolai Ogarkov (right).

Cost of love

Tokyo (AP) – Eighty per cent of Japanese newlyweds said they received financial assistance from their parents to get married, with the average couple spending about £20,000 on the wedding, honeymoon and furnishing a new home, a Sanwa Bank survey showed.

Rat Scourge

Jakarta (AP) Rats have destroyed nearly one per cent of the Indonesian rice crop during the last eight months, the Ministry said on Tuesday, devastating almost 57 million acres of crops.

Puffed up

Rome (AP) – The missile-like flying object sighted by two crew members of an Olympic Airlines flight was actually a cigar-shaped toy balloon, officials announced.

The crisis in South Africa

Strikers hold out at two mines

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Strikes continued at two of South Africa's gold and coal mines yesterday and there were further clashes between police and Coloured youths in townships around Cape Town, the main area of Coloured settlement.

Police and troops patrolled Sharpeville and other towns along the Vaal river, about 40 miles south of Johannesburg, and searched cars entering and leaving them. It was exactly a year ago yesterday that riots broke out in Sharpeville, starting a cycle of violence which infected other townships across the country and has still not abated.

Many people in the Vaal townships stayed away from work and schools were deserted or poorly attended as residents chose to observe the anniversary silently. No violence was reported.

There were conflicting claims by management and the National Union of Mineworkers about the situation at the mines. Police and mine security officials refused journalists access to the mine compounds, making independent verification impossible.

Spokesmen for Gencor and Gold Fields, the two mining houses affected by the strike, said that by last night only two gold mines, employing a total of about 8,200 blacks, were still strike-bound.

Management spokesmen said workers at the two mines, Gold Fields' Deelkraal and Gencor's Marievale, were being either paid off and dismissed or interviewed to see if they wanted to remain in the mines.

The NUM had earlier claimed that four mines were still on strike and that miners at Gold Fields' mines had been forced to go to work at gunpoint and without proper protective clothing.

This was denied strongly by Gold Fields yesterday. It also denied allegations by the union that miners, who live in hostels in the mine compounds, had been deprived of food and water to force them to go underground.

The NUM had predicted that as many as 60,000 miners would respond to the strike call, which went into effect on Sunday night, but it does not look as if more than 15,000 were ever involved, though the union claimed that as many as 28,000 had come out at one point.

Boycott on aircraft by Italians

Italian trade unions have announced a week-long boycott from September 9 to 15 of South African aircraft and ships using Italian airports and ports. A joint statement by the three big confederations CGIL, CISL and UIL said it was protesting about Pretoria's regime of "blood, violence and terror".

At Fos-sur-Mer, near Marseilles, about 150 trade unionists yesterday occupied an Italian bulk carrier bringing almost 100,000 tonnes of South African coal to France and Italy.

The union, communist-led Confederation Generale du Travail (CGT), said the boarding of the 140,000 tonne Ursa Major at the Mediterranean port was to show solidarity with the striking South African miners and protest against the closure by the French Government of domestic coal mines.

West Germany is delaying applications for state-backed credit guarantees on exports to South Africa because Pretoria has decided to freeze foreign loan repayments until the end of this year, the economics ministry said yesterday.

Pik Botha admits that apartheid went too far

From Our Own Correspondent, Johannesburg

South Africa had gone too far in the past in trying to keep the races apart, the South African Foreign Minister, Mr B. F. "Pik" Botha, has conceded.

In an interview with an Italian journalist shown on Monday night on South African television, Mr Botha maintained that the Government had never favoured apartheid in the sense in which it was portrayed abroad.

"But I admit in years gone by we went too far with legislative measures and concentrated too much on fragmentation and compartmentalization of our communities.

"We have changed our attitude in this respect. We now see clearly that we have a lot in common and instead of concentrating solely on the differences, we are concentrating on what we have in common.

"And that is why we are prepared to remove measures which impair the human dignity of people based on colour, to remove racial discrimination, to include communities in the decision-making processes."

Whites in South Africa do not regard themselves as a *Herrenvolk*, as they had done in Germany in Hitler's time, Mr Botha said. "We are not. But what we fear is to be dominated by elements like Idi Amin, and you cannot blame us for fearing that if you look at events further north of our borders.

"But I believe that black and white together, in taking part together in decisions affecting this country as a whole, will feel that we all belong to this one country. On that basis, nothing can hold us back."

Mr Botha's remarks reflect his own relatively liberal position in the South African Cabinet. They also echo, however, many of the sentiments of the declaration issued by the Government last weekend after talks with the visiting delegation of EEC foreign ministers.

This was designed to project a reformist image. It also has to be borne in mind that, while the Government now says it is against racial discrimination, it does not accept that many apartheid laws are discriminatory.

Mr Botha often gives the impression that the enthusiasm for reform within the Cabinet is greater than it is.

Australians mourn loss of Ashes

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

The headlines captured the mood here as Australians yesterday mourned the loss of the Ashes and of the nation's cricketing honour and vowed revenge in 1987. "Dismal team deserts its skipper", declared one. "It's sackcloth but no ashes", said another.

England winning the Ashes is normaly an occasion for the excoriation of the Australian skipper by a vengeful public, but Allan Border, at least, is assured of a warm reception when he comes home. There is widespread recognition of his role in holding the side together *in extremis*.

But the welcome for some other members of the party will be far from effusive, with cricket followers inclined to mutter darkly about lack of commitment among individual players and selection by the Australian Cricket Board.

Kim Hughes, a former captain, who is to lead the "rebel" Australian team to South Africa in November, including four fast bowlers sorely missed in England, said: "Allan Border has done an amazing job, leading from the front. From my own experience I know what he must be going through. Responsibility does not lie with him, but with the Australian Cricket Board."

Space shuttle back after record-breaking mission

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

The space shuttle Discovery returned to Earth yesterday after one of the most dangerous and productive missions, during which the crew launched three communications satellites and repaired a lifeless satellite in space.

The five-man crew, also created a record by launching two satellites on a day. Two of the astronauts made the longest shuttle spacewalk of seven hours, one minute. The previous record was six hours, 44 minutes, set in 1984.

The shutle made a desert landing at Edwards Air Force base in California a few minutes before sunrise and after a week-long orbital adventure of three million miles.

The twentieth mission of the four-year shuttle programme got off to a late start after two postponements because of bad weather and computer problems. On the same day the crew launched one satellite for the Australian government and another for the American Satellite company. On Thursday they deployed a satellite for Hughes Communications, to be leased to the US Navy.

Having earned for Nasa a total fee of about $25 million (£25 million) for these three launchings, the astronauts in speacewalks on Saturday and Sunday tracked and repaired an $85 million naval communications satellite, which had been drifting aimlessly since it was deployed by another shuttle last April.

Belgians rule by decree

From Jonathan Braude, Brussels

Belgium's 29th government since the Second World War has survived a damaging split by dissolving Parliament and preparing to rule by decree on essential financial and foreign affairs matters until the general election on October 13.

The Government had already been forced into early elections in the aftermath of the European Cup tragedy, when British football violence left 39 people dead and hundreds injured. It could not afford the additional embarrassment of a resignation before the polls.

But the move has not healed the rift between the French and Flemish Christian parties over the control of education. Like much of Belgium's convoluted politics, the dispute has its roots in the shift of economic and political power from the French-speaking south to the Flemish north.

The Flemish Christian People's Party has demanded an amendment to the constitution to devolve control of education from the central Government to the regional authorities.

Kasparov applies the pressure

Moscow (Reuter) – Challenger Gary Kasparov fulfilled predictions that he would apply early pressure by seizing the initiative in game one on his world chess title rematch against the world champion, Anatoly Karpov, yesterday.

Kasparov opened with the advance of his queen's pawn two squares but on move three he allowed a Nimzo-Indian defence, an opening which did not occur in any of the 48 games the two Soviet grandmasters played in their first title match, which was abandoned last February.

Karpov looked uncomfortable as the challenger confronted him with a rarely played variation and soon fell far behind on the clock. The champion appeared apprehensive and hunched forward over the board, balancing on the edge of his seat.

After making his 12th move Kasparov, nearly an hour ahead on the clock, strolled quietly around the stage looking relaxed and confident.

The players have two and a half hours each to make their first 40 moves. Failure to meet this quota results in a loss on time.

The players arrived for the start of play with just a few minutes to spare despite the fact that traffic was cordoned off to allow them easy access to the Tchaikovsky Concert Hall.

Kasparov appeared first with two of his top aides, followed by a second car bearing his mother, Kiara. His mother is always present at the important games of her son's career.



Anatoly Karpov in time trouble during the first game of the world chess title rematch.

First game
White Kasparov, Black Karpov
Nimzo-Indian Defence

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5 P-N3	N-K5	16 K-K2	KR-Q1
6 Q-Q3	Q-R4	17 N-K4	P-QN3
7 QxN	BxNch	18 N-Q6	N-B2
8 B-Q2	BxBch	19 R-N4	N-K1
9 NxB	Q-N3	20 KxN	KxN
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11 R-QN1	Q-B6		

Why US bankers let Pretoria down

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

The increasing isolation of President Reagan's South African policies has been underlined by the refusal of the international banking community to bail Pretoria out of its short-term cash crisis.

Dr Gerhard de Kock, governor of South Africa's Reserve Bank, slipped quietly out of Washington for an unknown destination on Monday after failing to draw any comfort either politically or financially in Washington and New York. His emergency mission to America was a humiliating failure.

The Administration kept contacts with Dr de Kock on an extremely informal, almost furtive, level. Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal Reserve Bank, met his at the weekend, but the place, time and nature of the discussion remained undisclosed. The banking community, apart from the most tacitum statements, closed ranks and stayed quiet.

Dr de Kock had no satisfactory dealings with the International Monetary Fund, which seems for the moment to have turned its back on South Africa. He stayed away from Capitol Hill, which is hostile both to President Botha for the dearth of political reforms and to Mr Reagan's policy of "constructive engagement".

American bankers knew that by refusing their help South Africa would have no option but to delay payment of principal on short-term debt. By forcing this unilateral action the banks reduced the danger of being accused of working with South Africa.

Any bilateral agreement would presumably have had virtually identical terms. The bankers fully expect to get their money in due course with full interest.

Bankers hope the South African move will not encourage Latin American debtor nations to follow suit. Pretoria's moratorium on principal repayments has not sent shock waves through the American financial community in the way that a similar decision by one of the chronic Latin American debtors would undoubtedly do.

Even so, the move represents another blow to the portfolios of banks that are mired in the debt problems of Latin America and Eastern Europe. But there is more confidence in South Africa than in the other debtors, and there is an important difference in the nature of the debt: almost all the South African debt is held by private parties, while in Latin America and Eastern Europe the main debtor is the Government.

UK relief at EEC sanctions delay

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

There was an almost audible sigh of relief in London yesterday when it was learnt that the "troika" of EEC foreign ministers had returned from their fact-finding trip to South Africa convinced that sanctions would not help to end apartheid.

Although the British Government is still awaiting a full report from the Luxembourg, Dutch and Italian foreign ministers, the statements they made on their return have made it clear that the issue of economic sanctions has been placed on the Community's back-burner for the time being.

This means that next week's meeting of EEC foreign ministers in Brussels, at which South Africa will be top of the agenda, will not be as acrimonious as was once feared.

Britain, with West Germany, is resolutely opposed to sanctions. Britain, which has by far the largest economic stake in South Africa of all EEC member-states, believes its interests could be severely damaged by sanctions, while having a negligible impact on Pretoria.

France, on the other hand, has recalled its ambassador from Pretoria and barred new investment. Other European nations also favour punitive measures.

The toughest action Britain is prepared to countenance at present is a strengthening of the EEC code which provides guidelines for European companies operating in South Africa.

A Community group has been set up to see how the code can be improved, but it is not expected to complete its work until later this autumn.

This means it is most unlikely that the EEC will take any joint action against South Africa, at least until the end of the year, unless there is a serious deterioration in the situation before then.

However, Britain will come under renewed pressure to get tough with Pretoria when Mrs Thatcher and Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, attend the Commonwealth summit in the Bahamas next month.

Virtually all other members of the Commonwealth are in favour of some kind of sanctions against South Africa, including its three most prominent white members – Australia, New Zealand and Canada. Demands for punitive action are likely to be intensified if – as seems likely – the US senate approves a sanctions Bill before then.

But Britain is determined not to budge, and is confident there will be no walk-outs from the Bahamas meeting, despite the strong views held by some.

As the Commonwealth operates by consensus, the British will ensure that the final communiqué does not contain a call for sanctions.

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Wings and a prayer: the moment crew member Bob Jones will never forget. 'They were helpless, and so was I'

Flying angels of mercy

The RAF has played a major role in distributing food to Ethiopia but behind the scenes its crews have been doing even more by raising money. Thomson Prentice reports

Operation Bushel, the RAF's famine relief mission in Ethiopia, began as a three-month emergency exercise last November. Extended again and again, it will now continue until at least the end of this year.

The Hercules transport planes and their crews have helped to save many thousands of families from starvation, and their achievements are well documented. Much less well-known are the remarkable, unofficial activities of some of the crews whose lives have been forever marked by their involvement.

The daily dawn-to-dusk grind of flying tons of food and supplies to famine victims has been a big enough effort in itself, carried out in difficult and dangerous conditions. The crews have good reason to be proud of themselves, knowing that nobody could have done more. Some, however, have begun to realize that they could do even more themselves.

The result is a chain reaction of good will stretching from Ethiopia's stricken heartland to towns and villages in the heart of Britain.

When Operation Bushel began, the delicate diplomatic climate meant that crews were not allowed to visit the huge refugee camps or feeding stations. All they could see at remote landing strips were packs of thin labourers waiting to load the scores of sacks of grain into old trucks, which would take them to where vast numbers waited desperately for food.

After the Hercules' cargo bays had been emptied, the labourers scratched handfuls of spilled grain from the floor as if it were gold dust, and then were gone.

That was the extent of personal contact with a continuous human tragedy. "You were shielded from the reality of it all", one airman says. "Your wife was seeing more on the nine o'clock news back home than you were out there".

But as the regulations were gradually relaxed, RAF personnel began to see something of the disaster for themselves.

Hundreds of people, most of them children and the elderly, were collapsing and dying every day in sprawling refugee camps. Disease was rife, doctors were hopelessly overwhelmed and medicines were almost non-existent.

Master Air Loadmaster Bob Jones, aged 34, was among the first of the airmen to get into Mekele, a poor provincial town now swamped by many thousands of starving peasants who had trekked there in the hope of finding food.

He and a fellow airman were picking their way through huddled groups of families in a makeshift camp. It was at times difficult to discern the living from the dead. A young mother suddenly thrust two little children towards him. As he stooped, they reached out and kissed his hand.

Their appeal was stunningly eloquent. "There was absolutely nothing I could do to help", he says. "It was the most awful feeling. They were helpless, and so was I. I knew I would never forget that moment".

Other crew members were having similar experiences. That night, back in the comparative luxury of the RAF quarters in Addis Ababa, where food and drink were plentiful, the usual jaunty atmosphere was gone. Some of the men were beginning to believe that what they were doing as a daily routine simply wasn't enough.

In the nine months since then, Bob Jones has seldom had a free evening. His new role began during the interval of a school play in Wootton Bassett, Wiltshire, near the Hercules home base at RAF Lyneham. On that December night, Jones, a keen amateur photographer, set up his slide projector and showed pictures he had taken in Ethiopia.

Nobody pretends that the solution is any closer

He raised £150 there and then. Then came invitations from schools, churches, businessmen's organizations and women's groups.

Meanwhile, officers and men at RAF Lyneham agreed to a "Support Our Hercules" Ethiopian famine appeal. Bob Jones handed in all the cash that his slide shows raised and Squadron Leader Ken Bull began fund-raising projects with others at the base.

Flight Lieutenant Roger Davies negotiated a 20 per cent discount on an Austin-Rover Metro and it was offered as the first prize in a raffle, with tickets at 50p each. Some 28,000 tickets were sold to RAF personnel, their families and friends.

An amateur artist at Lyneham sketched a Hercules in flight above Ethiopia, and sold scores of copies at £2 a print. Another airman organized the purchase of 1,000 special issue first-day covers from the Post Office at 50p each. They were taken to Ethiopia, where air crews signed them and sent them back. Collectors paid between five and 20 times the cover price for them. Thousands of pounds came in.

Schools and local community organizations in Wiltshire set up their own projects to support the appeal. And whenever Bob Jones was asked to give a film show, he took a five-kilo (11 pound) bag of grain with him. He would hold it up at the end of the show and ask the audience to estimate what it represented to an Ethiopian peasant.

"It was equivalent to an adult's ration for a month", he says. "I thought the bag would help me get the message across. Usually, it did".

Bob Jones doesn't know exactly how much he has raised. He thinks it's probably about £7,000.

But merely to collect money wasn't enough. Those involved in the RAF appeal wanted the cash to go to a specific, tangible project.

"Everybody wanted to feel they could identify with something that was of practical use in Ethiopia", he says. "We realized that the airlift of food and supplies would never in itself solve the country's problems."

They discussed a long-term project with the Save The Children Fund, one of the most active charities working in Ethiopia. The result is an ambitious irrigation scheme at Lake Haik, about 200 miles north of Addis Ababa, where water will be pumped miles into the hills to benefit 150 families in the village of Bol Bolo. New fields of fruit and vegetables can then be sold to raise money to buy main arable crop seeds.

In June, RAF Lyneham handed over a cheque for £25,000 to Princess Anne, president of the Save The Children Fund, to help finance the operation. Since then, at least £5,000 more has been raised.

"I don't think anyone realized that we would ever get this sort of money", says Wing Commander Roger Green, operations officer at Lyneham. "It started with a few men feeling that we could do something beyond our everyday work in Ethiopia, and the whole thing just took off."

The Government's decision to continue the RAF airlift until the end of the year was announced in July, and came as little surprise to Lyneham. "The airlift is keeping the Ethiopian people going on a day to day basis", says Wing Commander Green. "Nobody pretends that the solution is any closer."

Flight Lieutenant Tony Evans, who was among the first crews in Ethiopia last November, agrees: "If this sort of work stops all we will have done is prolong their agony".

Bob Jones has returned to Ethiopia with the RAF and still hopes to visit the airmen's project at Bol Bolo. There may also be a chance to visit an orphanage in Addis Ababa, which off-duty crew members are helping to repair.

That will give him a chance to help the children again.

The age of Dr Johnson, captured on a database

From alapeen to brillard, from scurvy to green sickness, the ephemera of the 18th century is now available at the touch of a keyboard. John Wardroper investigates

A modern Samuel Johnson would no doubt growl about "the fury of innovation", as the original did, if he was confronted in a library with such terms as *keyword-indexing* and *stringsearching the formal subfield*, but with a little coaxing he would very likely become a delighted user of the wonderworking technology to which those terms belong.

Printed riches of Johnson's century are being brought into daylight in hundreds of libraries round the world, thanks to a computer-age tool known as the Eighteenth-century Short Title Catalogue, or ESTC. Its creators are a team of scholars who have been labouring unseen for eight years in the British Library in Bloomsbury; its electronic heart is a mainframe database at Harlow, Essex.

Instead of plodding for months through imperfect and inflexible catalogues and bibliographies, historians and humbler enthusiasts can now, with a few strokes at a keyboard, interrogate a computer file that will yield up the descriptions and locations of any of 190,000 books, pamphlets, handbills, advertisements, broadsides, songs and other items published between 1701 and 1800.

Every day the total grows. A great virtue of a computer file is that it can be endlessly amended and added to. The Bloomsbury team never stops feeding it with new items revealed by British libraries (Aberdeen to York) and overseas ones (Amiens to Witwatersrand). At the same time another team at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge is feeding a mainframe at Stanford University, California, with listings from hundreds of libraries throughout North America.

Now a great step forward for all aficionados of the 18th century has been taken with the establishment of a "dedicated line" between the British Library and Stanford. Each database can now update the other. The grand total, comprising all discoverable items printed in Britain and its colonies and also items in English printed elsewhere, may pass 400,000.

Already ESTC has brought to light about 25,000 items either never before catalogued or else so obscure that they were lost to sight.

Many are ephemeral single sheets, now valued greatly by delvers into the past. The head of the Bloomsbury team, Dr Robin Alston, says the project is "an odyssey of discovery in the terra incognita of the printed word".

If, for instance, you are studying the cloth trade, you can dip into any decade of the century by means of such keywords as *wool*, *cloth* or *draper* and be presented with a print-out listing hundreds of leads. You will learn that you should travel to, among other places, the county record office at Wakefield to see some unique ephemera.

There, for example, Christopher Routh, mercer and woollen-draper of Leeds, is recorded as having more than 80 products on sale "at prime cost", among them alapeens, brillards, broglios, ducapes, Silesia linns, soplins and waveretts. If overworked Sam Johnson, as lexicographer or "harmless drudge" (his definition), had had the benefit of a database, he might not have failed to get all those words into his dictionary.

Is medicine your thing? the keyword *elixir* will take you to such nostrums as Anthony Daffy's Elixir, a cure for "dropsy, scurvy, stone, griping of the guts, surfeits, pestilence, green sickness..."

Firefighting? An Edinburgh council record of 1726 describes the city's new engine, "double Valved and double Barrell'd", capable of shooting water up as high as 100ft "and dischargharging at least 100 Scots Pints per Minute".

Popular song? Before visiting the Madden collection at Cambridge you can sort out its 18,000 ballads, homing in on all those with the word *merry* or *lusty* or *lass* in the first line. Or discover all the libraries that possess provincially-printed single-sheet songs of 1701-50 *not* noted in the bibliographies of David Foxon, an esteemed worker in this field.

Or you can pick out all the verse among 15,000 items of ephemera in the Bodleian's John Johnson and Harding collections. Try *beau* as a keyword, and in the last-named collection you will find "The Beaus of the Year Ninety-Nine", in which a girl of 1799 complains of the "lounging and careless" young men, so changed from those of "the days when my mother was airy and young".

For the lighthearted searcher or the most serious, questions can now be answered which before were silly to ask. Such as: Can you list everything published in London in 1720? In Jamaica in 1720-29? In Bristol with *garden* in the title? In the Iroquois language, 1730-49?

One happy user of ESTC is the historian Asa Briggs, working on the story of Longmans the publishers. He has been able to discover exactly what the firm published from 1727 to 1800, and analyse such things as the changing emphasis of its list.

A British scholar visiting America will be able to know in advance where to find, say, the best collections of Johnsoniana, or perhaps the only recorded copy (Ohio State University) of *The Merry and Facetious Companion, in French and English: being a collection of the most entertaining stories, witty sayings, and smart repartees... Design'd for the use of all those persons who would or are now learning the French tongue*, London, 1746.

An American will similarly be able to plan his British research, knowing what he wants among the British Library's 142,000 ESTC items.

British Library staff are helping people to interrogate the file and giving them print-outs for as little as 6p an item. Access to the file is now possible at 614 other terminals in the UK (as well as 185 overseas, not counting America). Many of the terminals are at universities. Yet when Robin Alston asks dons if they have ever done a search they tend to exclaim: "Good heavens, no! I can't do that".

To overcome distrust of "the fury of innovation", Alston is welcoming visitors to his operations centre (10 at a time) every Wednesday until October 2 for free demonstrations. "For most academics", he says, "seeing really is believing." He is sure that keywords and stringsearching will have wonderful effects on 18th-century studies.

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Recalling the doctor: advertisement from about 1710

A life-saving weather eye on Hurricane Elena

After a period of relative calm the impact of a major hurricane like Elena on the southern United States inevitably causes widespread comment. Such storms are, however, a normal part of the way the global weather machine transports energy from the tropics to higher latitudes.

Intense tropical storms, whether called hurricanes, cyclones, or typhoons, are spawned in the equatorial regions of all the world's oceans, in the summer half of the year. Most occur in the western north Pacific, with about 25 a year. In the north Atlantic, about five or six a year can be expected to affect the coastal states of North America each year.

The essential ingredients for a storm are sea surface temperature above 27 degrees centigrade and the right wind patterns in the upper atmosphere. What begins as intense shower activity that normally occurs over the equatorial oceans, then becomes an organized circulation system. Drawing on the warm ocean's abundant energy, it winds itself up into a formidable storm.

Though similar to the depressions that afflict Britain, a tropical storm is more concentrated and has certain well-defined symmetrical features. A central eye of descending air, a few tens of miles across, is surrounded by a circulating wall of towering thunder clouds 100 miles or so wide, beneath which wind speeds can range from 75 to 150mph, with even higher gusts. To qualify as a hurricane, a tropical storm must have sustained wind speeds in excess of 75 mph.

Once developed, a hurricane in the tropical Atlantic moves west and north, often into the Gulf of Mexico. Sometimes they run up the east coast, and, as happened in 1938, vent their fury as far north as New England. Their highly erratic course appears to be related to the temperature of the underlying ocean. In effect, the storms tend to seek out the warmest water to drive it onwards.

When a hurricane strikes land, it swiftly loses its intensity, as it is deprived of its source of energy. But in doing so, the high winds and storm surge cause extensive damage.

Tracking is one of the great successes

A major storm like Elena, with wind speeds in excess of 120 mph, will uproot trees and severely damage houses. The sea surge will measure nine to 12 feet and hit low-lying shore communities.

Elena, however, has now been downgraded from hurricane to tropical storm because its winds have dropped below 75mph.

Despite their unpredictable behaviour, the ability of the US national weather service to track the storms has been one of the great successes of the forecasting service. The hurricane which struck Galveston in 1900 killed more than 6,000 people. By comparison, when Camille, the most destructive hurricane in US history, struck in 1969, only 256 died, thanks to the warnings and the ability of the population to move swiftly inland.

In fact, many of the casualties were hurt in the flash floods in the Appalachian mountains, where avoiding the storms was not a practical proposition.

Although storms can be tracked and precautions taken to reduce their impact, there is no prospect of controlling them. But attempts have been made to reduce their intensity. The dangers of such efforts were demonstrated in one of the earliest attempts at weather modification in 1947 when a hurricane was seeded from aircraft and promptly altered course and slammed into Savannah, Georgia.

A later, more carefully designed programme, called "Storm Fury" produced dubious results. It was shelved, however, after the Mexicans claimed that the drought of 1980 was in part due to these activities. Much of the rain in northern Mexico comes from the remnants of tropical storms and shows that the impact of even something as dramatic as Elena cannot be viewed in isolation.

In fact, as current events demonstrate, the coastal areas of the United States have developed a concerted response to minimize human casualties during unwelcome storms. But increasing development of the shorelines of these states means that the economic costs of each major hurricane will rise. This will, however, be seen as the price which has to be paid for reaping the other benefits of living in the Sun Belt.

W. J. Burroughs

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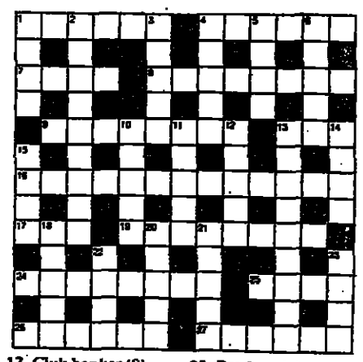
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Lessons learnt at home

Richard North looks at the battles faced by two families who decided to take their children out of school

Chris Gregory



A technical defeat but fighting on: John and Linda Perry with David and Elizabeth

A growing minority of parents – many of them teachers or ex-teachers – believe that modern schooling is just not good enough. Some – said to number around 8,000 – commit themselves to the extent of educating their children at home. They are perfectly entitled to.

School is not compulsory. The 1944 Education Act merely insists that a child should have an "efficient full-time education suitable to his age, ability, and aptitude, either by regular attendance at school or otherwise". The Act charges local education authorities with ensuring that children receive this suitable education, and empowers them to serve a school attendance order on children they believe should be in school (for instance, if the children are truants, or if their parents, in the authority's view, are keeping them from school but not providing an alternative education).

If school attendance orders don't work, care proceedings may be – and sometimes are – instituted. That can result in parents losing their children. In at least one tragic case this has happened (but it cannot be written about because the courts forbid publication of details of such cases).

Crucially, however, there is no word in the 1944 Act about what a suitable education is. Unfortunately for some "de-schoolers", education authorities tend to make up definitions as they go along, and have tended to be backed up by judges.

In recent court cases, judges seem to waver between respecting the parental freedom which is enshrined in the Act and – conversely – feeling that the established authorities need to be backed when they interpose themselves between children and parents who are, in all probability, eccentric. When push comes to shove, magistrates and judges tend to accept that any particular local authority's definition of educational suitability must be respected. "De-schoolers" believe this bias goes beyond the requirement placed on authorities to satisfy themselves about children's education. It means that a school-orientated education officer, employed by the school system, is given the last word about "de-schoolers".

Most authorities seem to have a handful of "de-schoolers" on their books. In practice, most in effect ignore them, though some are supportive.

The long-term difficulty seems to be that while the 1944 Act stands, parents will be open to the caprices of judges and education authorities; but if it is reformed – and a definition of education attempted – it may be tightened up in favour of compulsory schooling or "a prohibitively expensive stipulation for home-schoolers.

John and Linda Perry last year took their two children, David (now 11) and his sister Elizabeth (now 8) out of school. They had to await a court appearance for defying a school attendance order, but the case was adjourned on several occasions and never happened.

This was because the Perrys asked for a judicial review, in essence claiming that the authority had not properly attempted to judge the children's home education and had therefore acted improperly in bringing a prosecution. "The local authority had dismissed two glowing reports from education specialists on David, whom the authority said most concerned them", says John Perry. In November 1984 the judicial appeal went against the Perrys. "The judge seemed to think that it was our job to prove to the local authority that we were educating the children well. The burden of proof was with us. But what on earth is one supposed to do to prove such a thing, if they won't take account of two respected independent assessors?"

The Perrys took the case to the High Court on appeal and in mid-June it was dismissed. Though expressing sympathy for the parents, the judge thought it was not a matter for the court's intervention. But he said: "The local council will, I am sure, carefully consider in the light of the circumstances whether or not the best arrangement is that David should return to the school that he was attending when his parents removed him."

This looks, then, like a technical defeat. "We've decided to appeal to the House of Lords and beyond that, if need be, to the European Court", says John.

Dod Miller



Suffering 'financial blackmail': Gill and Tom Forsyth with Leon

Leon Forsyth is a bright 13-year-old Londoner who has not been to school for a couple of years. At first his mother, Gill, and step-father, Tom (a hospital electrician), were determined that he should stay at home until Enfield Education Department agreed that he could go to the grammar-style school of the family's choice.

The local authority used school attendance orders to try to bring the family to heel. Six court cases later, the Forsyths on July 12 were told by Tottenham magistrates that they were to pay fines and costs amounting to £1,300 (to which around £1,000 other legal costs must be added) as the price of their intransigence. Since then they have been granted leave to appeal and, for the first time, legal aid.

A generous local Methodist minister teaches Leon. He is rated by independent professional educational assessors as well ahead of the "norm" for his age and has just passed O level mathematics. One of them described him as being "attractive . . . cooperative . . . well-motivated".

But the local authority has insisted that he needs at least two professionally qualified tutors, and that some of his learning must be done among a group of his peers. Nowhere are such stipulations formalized in law. The senior official in charge of the case for Enfield said he would take a lot of convincing that any child could be properly educated away from school. The education authority have offered Leon a place at the parents' second choice school but the Forsyths now prefer to keep him away from schools altogether.

They do, however, believe that he will soon need a beefed-up system of home tuition, and they would like some of the money the education system saved by his being away from school channelled their way to help provide it. "As it is, we suffer a sort of financial blackmail. It would be impossible for any working-class family to provide what Enfield insist on", Gill Forsyth says.

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Mother-confessor of America's air waves



Sympathetic and full of good advice: Dr Ruth Westheimer

She is tiny – a 4ft 7in exuberant elf, who buys many of her clothes in the children's departments. Sometimes she has to stand on a chair to give lectures. Merry-eyed, with an infectious laugh, 57-year-old Dr Ruth Westheimer, simply Dr Ruth to her fans, dispenses explicit sexual advice to millions of Americans on her radio phone-in programme, *Sexually Speaking*, and its television counterpart, *Good Sex!*

"I am everybody's old-fashioned Jewish mother. I am sympathetic and I talk straight", she says. "I am explicit because it is important to be frank when talking about something as *important as sex.*

"Nobody has ever told me that I cannot use sexually explicit language on my programmes. If they did, I wouldn't do them. I don't do it to shock, or to be sexually arousing, but because the time has come for the snickering to stop.

"*I believe in educating people* to be sexual gourmets. In everyday life we talk a lot about food and diets. We share the discoveries we have made in the kitchen – so why shouldn't we exchange recipes for better sexual functioning? Why keep the excitement of sexual exploration to ourselves?"

Dr Ruth is a broadcasting phenomenon. Her hour-long nationwide television show goes out Monday to Friday on a cable channel and callers jam the switchboard. It is watched by more than two million Americans a night. Dr Ruth, blonde and always animated, sits on a sofa, her feet barely touching the ground, clapping her hands with glee, bouncing up and down when a caller says something funny.

'I believe in educating people to be sexual gourmets'

The radio programme is broadcast live every Sunday night from New York and, relayed by 60 radio stations nationwide, is heard by a million listeners.

Dr Ruth is asked a lot of basic questions: "What contraception should I use?"; "Where can I find a partner?", but most require more detailed advice. The problem that the majority of her women callers worry about is their failure to have an orgasm, while with men it is premature ejaculation, or failure to have and maintain an erection.

Dr Ruth is a good listener. She's sympathetic and tells callers who complain that their relationships have become stale that they must communicate with each other to keep the interest alive. They should tell each other about their needs, and use fantasies to put the spark back *in their sex lives.*

"I tell them not to have sex every Saturday night at 10.30, but to vary it, to have fun, get pleasure out of it, to make time for each other, to talk."

There are no coy answers or euphemisms from Dr Ruth. But, she says, she is constantly *surprised* at how widespread sexual ignorance is. "A lot of people need a beginner's course, or at least a refresher course, in basic sex education", she says. "It is obvious that there is real need for my programmes. They are popular because everyone is interested in what happens in *other people's* bedrooms – that's the soap opera part of it – but there is something more important. The programme is successful because I am well-trained. I use humour. I listen to other people's opinions, and I talk explicitly.

"There are many people who have nobody to talk to, nobody to discuss sexual questions with. That is one reason why they come to me. Books help, but it is not the same as contact with another person. Even if that contact is over the radio or television there is a feeling of intimacy, of someone giving personal attention."

Her programmes have critics. "If you ask the Catholic archdiocese of New York they will say that the programmes are *awful, that they should be* off the air," she says. "But I have worked with a tremendous number of Catholic priests, and I often ask my callers whether they have discussed their problem with their priest, minister, or Rabbi." People can always switch off, she says, as long as they respect another person's right to listen.

Dr Ruth is enjoying being America's mother-confessor. "I love it – the hairdressers, the clothes, the limousines, the champagne after the show. It is so much fun, and also very lucrative! I have celebrities on my show. I don't ask them personal questions but we discuss issues".

She leads seminars for doctors on adolescent sexuality, and lectures frequently. Her book *Dr Ruth's Guide to Good Sex*, based on the radio programme, and available in Britain, has been translated into French, German, Japanese and Turkish. *In September, her sex* education book for young people, *First Love*, is being published.

Dr Ruth was born into an orthodox Jewish family in Germany. In 1939, aged 10, she was sent with other Jewish children from Frankfurt to Switzerland, part of an international rescue effort. She was told she would be reunited with her parents in about six months, but she never saw them again.

She was trained as a housemaid by the Swiss and after the war went to Palestine and joined the Haganah, the pre-independence militia. In 1951 she left to train as a kindergarten teacher in Paris, and five years later went to the United States, working as a housemaid and studying at night school.

Married three times and with two children, Miriam 28, and Joel, 22, she has a Master's degree in sociology and a Doctorate in family studies.

'Everyone is interested in other people's bedrooms'

In a talk to a group of broadcasters in 1980, she said that they had a duty to provide sex education on the air. "I told them there was a lot of sex on the air already, in songs, serials and commercials. People were bombarded with erotic urgings, but nowhere was there any *reliable, sensible information* about real-life sex."

She was invited to try her idea out on radio, and *Sexually Speaking* began as a taped 15-minute late-night spot. It was later expanded to two hours. Television's *Good Sex!* started last year and was an immediate hit.

"It is all so much fun, and I like to think I am doing something, however small, to help create a more sexually literate society", she says.

Penny Symon

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A sitting duck for all the tea in China

The Times Cook

Shona Crawford Poole

To the well-worn cry that everything nice is immoral, illegal or fattening has now been added a fourth category of restriction: unhealthy. So many formerly acceptable foods are now suspect, if not proven harmful, that it is a delight to *explore the pleasures of one that* is still regarded as thoroughly wholesome.

Going too far is often more interesting than moderation. I cannot claim that it was necessary to go to China to learn how to make a better cup of tea, but it helped. And when *my escort was Sam Twining*, whose family has been doing tea business there since the early 18th century, the invitation was simply irresistible. Which is how I came to be standing in a tea garden in darkest Zhejiang Province and staring at a large green frog which had hopped out from under a bush.

A flat grey sky threw no shadows on the serene, stone walled terraces of tea bushes. They stretched away packed tight in – lines, like some marshalling yard of suburban hedges awaiting postings. At a distance the effect was a neat patchwork of plump green quilts. Closer to, there were pop-eyed frogs, butterflies the size of sparrows, noisy crickets, and birdsong. The teapickers were at lunch.

Away from the gardens the hand-picked shoots are subjected to a variety of wilting, rolling and drying processes, and in the case of black teas to what in the tea trade is described as fermenting, but has nothing to do with reaching those parts that fermentation *usually implies.*

Zhejiang Province produces gunpowder, the best known of China's green teas and named for the appearance of its tightly rolled leaves which resemble lead shot. When they uncurl in the teapot you can get a good idea of what the freshly picked *leaves look like.*

The smells in a tea factory are good ones. Most memorable was the stunning perfume of newly made jasmine tea, and the unforgettable sight of millions of double white jasmine flowers freshly mixed with tea leaves.

Teas, like wines, depend as much on the hazards of soil and weather as on the skills of the manufacturer, and like wine, tea repays appreciative attention.

In China poultry is smoked over smouldering tea leaves in the same way that oak sawdust or applewood is used in England. It is cooked too, usually by steaming either before or after smoking. Sometimes it is deep-fried as well which produces a crispy style duck which would be served in a restaurant with bland pancakes, shredded spring onions and plum sauce – the same accompaniments as for Peking duck. Iceberg lettuce leaves are an alternative to pancakes, but don't forget China's answer to tomato ketchup, the savoury plum sauce.

I turned up half a dozen *similar recipes in recently* published Chinese cookery books and although none of them is quick, they are not difficult either. The only equipment required is a large wok with a lid (or a big pan), a rack or trivet which fits inside it, and kitchen foil.

Using a wok for all three processes – smoking, steaming and frying – is the traditional method and it produces meat that is moist, and crisp skin. *Smoking followed by careful* roasting is simpler. The skin will not be quite so crisp, but all the underlying fat will have melted away.

Serve hot tea smoked roast duck in the Chinese manner with pancakes etcetera, or as an English cold cut with salads. I use barbary ducks because they are full-flavoured and fairly lean, and Lapsang Souchong tea for its smoky taste.

Tea smoked roast duck
Serves four

- 1 duck about 1.35kg (3lb)
- 110g (4oz) plain flour
- 55g (2oz) brown sugar
- 4 tablespoons Lapsang Souchong or other black China tea
- 1 tablespoon black peppercorns
- 1 whole star anise
- 2cm (¾in) cube peeled fresh ginger
- 2 spring onions, chopped
- 2 tablespoons Chinese Shaoksing wine or medium sherry

Remove any trussing strings from the duck to expose all its skin to the smoke.

Line a wok with foil. Mix together the flour, sugar and tea and spread it over the base of the wok. Add a rack on which the duck can sit above the smoking mixture and place the duck on it. Cover the wok with its lid, or with a well-fitting dome of foil, and set it on a high heat.

The tea mixture will quickly begin to scorch, producing plenty of smoke. Adjust the heat to keep it smoking well and leave the duck undisturbed for 15 minutes. Then turn it over on to its breast to smoke for a further 15 minutes.

While it is smoking prepare the flavouring ingredients. Pound the pepper and anise with a pestle and mortar then add the ginger and spring onions and grind the mixture to a rough paste. Dilute the paste with the wine. Paint the duck with the paste and spoon the remainder into the cavity. Roast the duck in a preheated moderately hot oven (200°C/400°F, gas mark 6) for about 1¼ hours, or until it is cooked and the skin is crisp.

How to brew and not stew

Brewing times are critical if good loose-leaf teas are to show themselves off to best advantage. The strength of the brew should always be adjusted by varying the proportion of tea leaves to water, not by shortening or lengthening the time for which the tea is brewed.

How long does brewing take? **Here is how to calculate the optimum brewing time for every type of tea. It takes the guesswork out of deciding what unfamiliar teas should taste like.**

Put a spoonful of the leaves into a warmed heat-resistant glass container. Pour on freshly boiled water. The leaves will rise to the surface like a head of beer. Time how long they take to sink to the bottom of the glass and you have the tea's ideal brewing time. Small leaf teas will take around three minutes, large leaf green teas can take as long as six.

After seven minutes the main *ingredient being extracted from* the leaves is not flavour, it is tannin. It is at this point the tea is described as stewing.

Overboiled water produces thin, brassy tea according to the professionals, who prefer hard water to soft when given the choice. Soft water hides the bad *characteristics of poor quality* tea, they claim.



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THE TIMES DIARY

Prison for Pamela

Wheelchair-bound Pamela MacGregor-Morris, former equestrian correspondent of *The Times*, awaits a panda car today to remove her to Pucklechurch prison near Bristol for non-payment of £200 in totted-up parking fines. Her saga has a distressing twist because part of the fines was incurred by her daughter Fiona, who committed suicide in 1982. "I have written endless impassioned letters to the courts about the grief I have had to endure over my daughter's death," said Mrs MacGregor-Morris, who, despite two recent strokes, still writes for *Horse and Hound*. She appealed against the fine, but out of time. The original £10 parking fine has now swelled to £90. As a wheelchair victim, she is unhappy about her own parking penalties as she is a disabled driver. So far the courts have been unmoved, and Devon's Clerk to the Justices, Andrew Mimmack has signed a warrant committing her to two weeks in jail. He told me yesterday, "She has made several appearances before the magistrates and been given several chances to pay the fines. No-one likes sending people to prison".

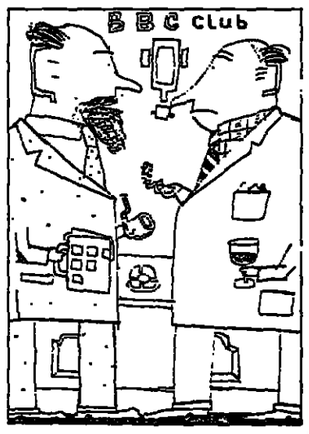
Wrong party

An unwelcome apparition almost took TUC press officers' appetites away at a private dinner laid on by Granada TV at Blackpool's Imperial Hotel on Monday. *Union World* hacks and their guests were well into their puddings when the portly form of Tory philosopher Sir Alfred Sherman, entered the room and made menacingly for the bar. He had barely announced himself a member of the press and ordered a drink than the head waiter made discreet checks with producer David Kemp, host of the gathering. The waiter politely informed Sir Alfred that he was not invited and marched the founder of the Centre for Policy Studies out of the door, backwards.

Cashing in

After our report yesterday that £3,600 is to be spent every three months on flowers for the Victoria and Albert Museum, I learn that £30,000 is about to be doled out on employing four cashiers to greet visitors. This, of course, is all in an effort to induce dithcrers to pay the voluntary £2 entrance fee which starts in November. The £30,000 comes from The Associates of the V&A. Those of us who fork out will get special badges, while others will be made to go shamefaced with naked lapels.

BARRY FANTONI



"It used to be that Northern Ireland was the tough job"

Cool front

So much for Ken Baker's alleged expertise in presentation. He arrived at No. 10 on Monday dressed more like a yokel than an Environment Secretary. Playing it cool, Baker, on holiday in the West of Scotland was apparently about to scale a local peak when he got the call and had no time to change out of his cloth cap and hacking jacket before taking a taxi to the airport.

Humber 1?

Richard Hickmet, Tory MP for Scunthorpe, may have to eat his words. I hear that the novel *Such Men Are Dangerous* – published by the town's Labour-controlled council because it is set in Scunthorpe – has been entered for the Whitbread Award. When it was published, Hickmet said: "I thought it was the council's duty to collect rubbish, not produce it."

Boomerang

Leon Brittan at least attacked the BBC for *Real Lives* in public. Now I learn that while the row raged, John Gummer was furtively penning a torrent of abuse to the IBA about *World in Action*'s report on the Belgrano affair. The letter, on Central Office paper, signed pp Gummer, ineptly quotes from the select committee's majority report on the Belgrano so as to leave out important qualifying sentences. It also refers to previous complaints about the programme – none of which Granada can recall. Granada has replied shortly to the IBA, who have yet to respond formally. One of the curious aspects of the affair is that although the programme was transmitted on June 10, Gummer did not write until the middle of the BBC row in August. It was Gummer, of course, who last year was forced to backtrack on the vague threats he had levelled at *Panorama*'s programme on the Tory far right.

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Unions: power to the members

Eric Hammond, leader of the electricians' EETPU, defends its policy of 'no-strike' agreements and flexibility

Electricians, by the nature of their trade, have always had to adapt to technological change; an indication of our willingness to do so has been the formulation of high technology agreements to meet the needs of both the modern trade unionist and the industry in which he works.

Our critics have deliberately misled the public as to the nature of these deals. To them, the derogatory term "no strike agreements" may sum up what the deals are about, but such ignorance is just a further display of how outdated many traditional union attitudes are, and how far those unions need to progress to deal effectively with current industrial problems.

We set our targets high: the elimination of stresses and conflicts which have, rightly or wrongly, given Britain a poor industrial relations record. Strikes have been the most visible issue. "Pendulum arbitration" reduces the likelihood of strike action to a minimum and eliminates the cost of loss of work to both employer and member. Our critics dwell on this aspect as if they thought strikes were an end in themselves. They are failures for both union and management. Our deals seek not only to resolve disputes more sensibly but to deal with root causes.

The "class system" at work has caused unnecessary tension. Our answer to this problem is a simple one: single status employment. Every employee shares the same terms, conditions and benefits of employment – the only difference being that of salary. To exhort manual employees to be responsible productive and efficient is sheer hypocrisy when they are treated as second class people. Superior sick pay and holiday arrangements for white-collar workers apply throughout British industry. The industrial apartheid of separate canteens and car parks is bitterly resented by blue-collar workers.

Given the nature of the law and the ownership of industry, a forum is needed that will allow workers to genuinely influence how their company is run. Advisory boards, which are an essential component of our union's agreements, are made up of elected employee representatives, management and observers. Although these forums are advisory and consultative, in practice they give employees greater influence and managements are loath to disagree with them.

The agreements are progressive. Within the workplace they allow for complete flexibility of working arrangements previously denied by the often arbitrary and certainly dated demarcation lines. For the industry, the benefits are substantial – reduced "shut down" costs and the increased ability to react to competitive forces. All arrangements place significant stress on rights to training and retraining to meet the demands of new technology.

Why have we been able to adapt when other unions still wallow in antiquated attitudes? Why do we look for co-operation and others strife? Why do we encourage new technology and others shun it? Our union is based on the postal votes of individual members. They vote directly for the executive council and for the general secretary, who stands for election every five years – not elected for life. They vote whether or not to take industrial action. We are thus fully accountable to our members.

Contrast this with the situation in other unions. How can they respond to or reflect their members' interests when their affairs are conducted by leaders and committees accountable only to a thin stratum of activists? It is no wonder that such leaders are apprehensive of the postal ballot system for they fear the changes that come in the wake of members' power.

Although we see the present Trades Union Congress as critical in respect of the structural unity of the labour movement, we fully realize that once elections for all national executives rest on the ordinary members' votes, many other unions will come to express the sentiments we have openly declared for many years. Then the trade union movement can advance in unity with its members.

Julian Haviland on the significance (or otherwise) of the Cabinet reshuffle

Very minor earthquake at Westminster



Most reshuffles disappoint. Only a few people who move upwards wholeheartedly approve. It is too soon to report disappointment among Conservative MPs, dispersed as they are across the world and many still awaiting their copies of *The Times* to check which of their friends or rivals have secured office.

But those contacted yesterday after the changes at Cabinet level were known thought there had been plenty of disturbance but too little novelty. None volunteered the thought that the government had been strengthened by what Mrs Thatcher hyperbolically called "these tremendous changes", or that Conservative prospects at the next election would at once improve.

Several had clearly expected the impossible. There was a collective though unexpressed wish for the Prime Minister to conjure suddenly from the ordinary clay at her disposal a cabinet of all the talents, filled with men and, if possible, women of star quality, not only far-sighted and industrious but with gifts so obvious that no citizen could fail to honour and re-elect them.

The Tories would have recoiled from a mass slaughter, Macmillan-style. But it may disturb the party leaders to know that few of the familiar figures who will reconvene round the cabinet table next week would have been much missed by their colleagues if they had been disposed of like Patrick Jenkin and Peter Rees.

For Conservative MPs there are no heroes in this cabinet. The one serious contender for such a status, in one section of the party, is Margaret Thatcher.

In cabinet-making, as in much else, a prime minister's room for manoeuvre is less than the world supposes. She cannot make wholesale changes while making a virtue of continuity; nor discard too many men like Patrick Jenkin who have spent much energy in doing her will. The evidence of this week supports the view that this prime minister hates having to dismiss old friends.

Some hazards cannot be avoided. There are two reservoirs of potential dissidents, of which any prime minister must beware: dismissed ministers and backbenchers denied their first job. One or other is bound to fill steadily as the life of an administration is prolonged.

It was within these constraints that Mrs Thatcher had to meet two objectives: to place her best colleagues where they would be most effective and to unite her party and not find new recruits for Francis Pym's Conservative Centre Forward grouping.

The deployment of the available talent looks generally shrewd, although one senior critic said yesterday that Leon Brittan knew nothing about business and Tom King nothing about Ireland.

Brittan has not been sidelined at Trade & Industry. He is a formidable administrator, immensely hard-working, and no one who knows him doubts that he will shake up this huge and sprawling department and, in time, achieve the political control which eluded both Norman Tebbit and Cecil Parkinson. The Prime Minister sees it above all as a huge spending department which has to be watched. Brittan will oblige.

Senior people at the Home Office say that in his two years there Brittan took charge of every division in a way that such easy-going predecessors as Lord Whitelaw, Roy Jenkins and the late Reggie Maudling never achieved.

Douglas Hurd, who worked closely with him at the Home Office for a year, will inherit an efficient department, with clearer lines of responsibility and with the important legislation on public order and shop hours already well prepared.

Tom King's praises as a conciliator are being sung in Downing Street, and he may have as good a chance as anyone of helping Northern Ireland Catholics play a fuller part in public life. He is not known for original ideas, which cynics may say is just as well in Northern Ireland. But he has proved an effective executant of the ideas of others, and as Mrs Thatcher concerns herself ever more closely with Irish questions this may be what she requires.

Of the three new men each is regarded by colleagues as among the brightest of those who were just outside the Cabinet. All are to the left of the party without being aggressively "wet". This may show a wish to unite the backbenchers behind the government but may equally be a sign of the Prime Minister's confidence that the central economic argument within the party is largely settled.

John MacGregor, the new Chief Secretary, a quiet but not a grey man, has many friends and may win some for the somewhat aloof Chancellor, Nigel Lawson. His appointment has been widely praised.

Kenneth Clarke, who under Lord Young will be the second cabinet minister in the Department of Employment, is also exceptionally affable and able. If he inherits the thankless task of explaining the monthly unemployment figures on television, few could do it better. His friends say he will be interested only in results and will not be content with massaging the jobless figures.

Kenneth Baker alone of the three inherits his own department – Environment, another sprawling kingdom with many problems. He has the talent for political presentation which his predecessor lacked. He will need it, and a willingness to get to grips with detail, if he is to meet the challenge of rates reform, see through the abolition of the metropolitan counties and do continuing battle over expenditure with the Militant councillors of Liverpool and elsewhere.

Then what of Lord Young, apple of the Prime Minister's eye? His appointment as employment overlord is the most fascinating and the riskiest – the one gamble Margaret Thatcher has allowed herself.

Never mind the anger of Opposition MPs at having so prime a target sitting out of range in the Lords. Most Conservatives squirm with nervousness as they reflect that so much depends on a non-politician who is a stranger to most of them. They have heard that he has bright ideas and determination and the Prime Minister's ear, but they gravely doubt if that will prove enough.

Of Norman Tebbit in his new role of party chairman, MPs' hopes are higher. But he has a job on his hands. Morale at Central Office is low. Salary increases are overdue, and there is no money in the bank.

Lord McAlpine, the party's senior treasurer, has an unsurpassed talent for talking money out of the pockets of rich supporters. But he is said not to have exerted himself recently because he had no time for the outgoing chairman, John Gummer. So there is work enough for the new team to tackle.

For most of this summer the Tory party's heart has been in its boots. There is always the hope that Labour will again start making a fool of itself, but the gloom will not lift until the polls and by-elections yield sure evidence that the public's confidence in the government is returning.

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Jack Straw

What's so fair about PR?

If the wind had turned, we would have been evacuated, too. From afar, there is something mystical, almost exciting, about a mountain on fire. Up close, it is an unambiguously frightening experience: choking fumes, ash everywhere, the wild fury of nature, the helplessness of those on the ground to do anything but watch – and the extraordinary skill of the men who pilot the aeroplanes which collect water from the sea and use it to bomb the fires. It took two planes 40 such trips to put out one fire – and there were five others raging within sight.

But, in Corsica, from which we have just returned, forest fires are not just an act of God. Some blame the separatists, while others – especially the mainland French – suspect the firemen themselves, who, they claim, are paid by the fire.

The separatists have already gained a great deal. New roads, more public investment, a college in the old capital of Corte, greater autonomy. But Corsica will remain French: and the Corsicans will vote in 1986 in legislative elections which are likely to lead to the loss of the Socialists' majority in the National Assembly and create the gravest constitutional crisis since the formation of the Fifth Republic in 1958. There may be more words written about the Greenpeace affair, but the serious question is what kind of "cohabitation" can be achieved between a right-wing majority in Parliament and a Socialist president invested with great executive powers.

For the British socialist observer, there are two absorbing aspects of the current crisis on the left in France. The first is to witness the development of tensions as serious as those on the British left in 1980 and 1981 – and with potentially as damaging consequences.

At the centre of these is Michel Rocard, Mitterrand's Agriculture Minister until his resignation in April. Ten day ago the Socialist Party's management committee voted down a resolution from Rocard which sought to countenance a deal with centrist forces if the Socialists lost their majority next March. Though he has been threatened with expulsion from the Socialist Party, the problem for the left is that Rocard has consistently outpolled all other politicial leaders in personal popularity, and is in a strong position to survive while others go under, either by ultimately blackmailing the party to go his way, or by splitting from it.

The breaking point for Rocard as a minister was the French Socialist government's decision to introduce proportional representation for the legislative elections next year, in place of the run-off system which has operated ever since 1958. Mitterrand says that PR is fairer, more democratic, a manifesto commitment. Others dispute this. The arithmetic however is clear. Using the 1984 Euro elections as a base, the left combined (socialists-communists) would, without PR, have won only 71 seats, against the right's 403. With PR, the left would get more than twice that – 177 – and the right 236. But the real beneficiaries – and there's the rub – would be the extreme right-wing National Front, which would have 61 seats against none without PR, and would be in a powerful tactical position within the Assembly.

But some other chickens are now coming home to roost. PR inevitably changes the structure and balance of power *within* a party. Where PR is based on a list system, with votes effectively cast for a party, and the winning candidates taken, pro rata, from each party's list, power passes from the individual constituency party to those who draw up the list. In France, this has meant a major battle between national and regional parties, with many of the latter objecting successfully to the "parachuting" of candidates without roots, and the casualties being many of the aspiring national politicians who supported the change in the first place.

As the SDP meets in conference this weekend – and the Liberals soon after – we shall be in for two weeks of high-flown phrases about the superior morality and fairness of proportional representation, and the way in which it can lead, as Roy Jenkins has said, to "more effective and consistent government" and "greater stability of national direction of policy". It is not an argument which I have ever found convincing.

Is giving legitimacy to the semi-fascist and overtly racialist French National Front the creation of stability? I do not share Rocard's social or economic policy, but he is entirely right to put part of the intense instability of the French Fourth Republic on its system of PR – when there were 25 governments and 15 prime ministers in the 13 years to 1958. Italy, with PR, is now on its 44th government – and they are reeling with self-congratulation that this one has lasted two years. And, then there is the inconvenient little fact of Hitler. He rose to power in the Weimar Republic, which used a very respectable system of PR. I do not suggest that any other system would have prevented his rise. I do assert that PR did not prevent it – yet moderation and stability is the large, and wild claim made for this system by our own centre parties.

PR is not a matter of morality, but crude party advantage – which is why the Liberals only adopted the idea in 1922, when their decline really began. Down in Wiltshire, the Alliance group on the county council are by their actions proving my point most powerfully. Taking the Liberal and SDP commitment to PR at their word, a Conservative councillor proposed that "proportional representation" should be used to allocate council representatives on outside bodies.

The proposal was rejected out of hand by the new Alliance chairman of the schools committee, Maria Grime. Roger Peach (Conservative) told her, "Your party makes an enormous amount of play about proportional representation. It's one of the great cheats on the public." He is right. There is nothing like a little power to muddy one's sacred principles.

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***moreover* . . . Miles Kington**

Welcome to these small adds

A little while ago I mentioned in this space the compulsive urge of petrol filling station owners to sell potatoes, cut flowers and tea cloths – in other words, the mysterious phenomenon of diversification. It is not the greatest mystery in the British shop scene (that will always be why butchers imagine that plastic parsley helps to sell meat), but it is still sufficiently puzzling to be pleasing. Perhaps it is simply that shopkeepers get bored selling just the one thing and long for the excitement of branching out; if you've been pulling pints of beer for five years, it must be quite a thrill to diversify into Scotch eggs.

It also seems to be true that people who diversify always diversify up-market. There is something slightly classier about cut flowers than petrol, and every change that occurs is a change for the smarter. One cannot imagine a flower shop deciding to branch out into the sale of petrol. Tobacconists always, sooner or later, put racks of colourful greeting cards on display, but I have never known a card shop start to sell cigarettes.

The same thing, curiously, seems to apply to sexy magazines. It often takes a long time but eventually they decide to improve the tone of the publication by printing quality fiction, and by the time they get round to publishing short stories by Nobel prize winners, the sexy content may well be on the way out, as I think happened to *Esquire* magazine. It certainly never happens the other way round; I buy *The Times Literary Supplement* week after week in the hope of spying pretty girls, but with no luck.

Sometimes the diversification of shops is inexplicably sideways. I know a post office in Bath that also sells floor tiles. That is all it sells. Just stamps and floor tiles. There is a small counter for stamps and a large display area for floor tiles, and I cannot for the life of me see any connection between the two. There is a shop in Edinburgh called Leon's Locker that sells wine and gramophone records. I once went into an antique shop that sold logs as a sideline, but the logs may have started life as unsellable benches and dressers.

Reader: I take it there is some point to this aimless ramble through the byways of the British retail trade?

Certainly. I am leading up to my amazing discovery of a reversal in the trend of up-market diversification. For the first time in my life I have noticed signs of shops going down-market. Last week I was in the Safeway supermarket in Morningside, Edinburgh, and along with all the smart developments you might expect – the delicatessen counter, the piles of exotic vegetables, the pre-cooked tandoori chicken – I noticed a large board covered with cards. These cards were the very same ones you get in tobacconists' windows, hand-written by customers, offering prams and cookers for sale, asking for baby-sitters, trying to get rid of bikes and trying to get hold of fridges.

This personal touch in an impersonal supermarket I find very welcome, but I still find it extraordinary that somebody should be trying to reverse history. Yet the very same sort of thing is happening in my native Notting Hill, where there is a large shop selling electronic knick-knacks, all the glittering recorders, amplifiers, calculators, video machines and stereo systems without which modern life would apparently be unbearable. Yet they have recently branched out into considerable shelf-space devoted to second-hand books. Yes, row upon row of tatty, dog-eared, friendly, used-kindly paperbacks and solid volumes, none of which needs a battery to work and all of which can be operated in total silence.

Perhaps this is not so much a move down-market as a move back towards personal involvement, a touch of individuality in the mass market, the same kind of impulse that has seen the reappearance of so many live cocktail pianists in hotels and restaurants that once had only canned music. The same trend, perhaps, that has changed Radio 3 coverage of cricket from simple commentary into a pot-pourri of story-telling, listeners' competitions, running jokes, interviews with guest stars and detailed description of what the commentators had for lunch. When Brian Johnston starts calling Bill Frindall "the bearded wonder" and refers to Alan McGillivray as "McGillers", you know that the final transformation into a soap opera is not so very far away.

I wonder if I could do my bit by giving over part of this column to readers' small ads? I'll have a word with the powers that be. "Australian gent wishes to add to his collection of American papers". Hmm. It might well work.

Walesa points Poles to the middle way

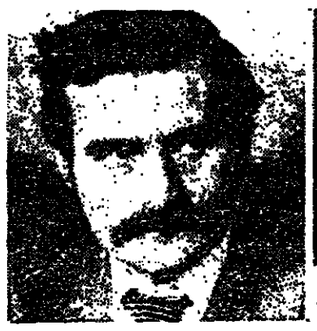
Warsaw

Solidarity's 500-page report on the political, economic and cultural health of Poland, commissioned by Lech Walesa to mark five years of the union's legal and underground existence, is a chronicle of wasted opportunities, mismanagement and poverty of imagination.

The document, which is now circulating in the underground, was prepared by a team of Solidarity experts and consultants – among them lawyers, doctors, economists, sociologists and university professors – and is designed to broaden the discussion of Poland's future away from the narrow channels set by the Jaruzelski leadership. The chapters deal with human rights, the economy, the standard of living, national culture, and the wider problems of reform in the Soviet bloc.

Above all, says the introduction, Poles must abandon the idea that the East-West divide defined at Yalta "denies the possibility of constructive political activities, forces on us the choice of either passively adapting to the system or risking a complete breakdown of the existing order". In between the two extremes, there is breathing space for the ideas of Solidarity, argues the report.

The most frightening segment, because it shows how the infrastructure of Polish society has been gnawed at as if by some huge, invisible rodent, is that dealing with living conditions. "The 1980s witnessed an unprecedented decline in living standards – a drop in real incomes, consumption, health and housing – with a rapid increase in income differentials and a widening of the zone of poverty". The cost of living in the 1980s has risen by 355 per cent, says the report, while incomes dropped by 16 per cent on average and the incomes of pensioners by 20 per cent. Those in the poverty belt, including large families and the elderly, now account for 25 to 30 per cent of the population.



Walesa: blueprint for change



Jaruzelski: will he listen?

Poland is short of nearly 2 million apartments. One family in three do not have their own accommodation. The lucky ones live in flats that are among the smallest in Europe.

The Solidarity solution is to decentralize the building sector, to supply equipment and technical facilities to private contractors and to work out a system of production priorities for building materials.

Health care, says the report, is now 20 years behind the West. Bad sanitary and living conditions, poor diet and outdated, overcrowded hospitals have led to an increase in infectious diseases and a high mortality rate. "The conditions of work in hospitals are tragic. Their standard, according to World Health Organisation criteria, is one of the lowest in Europe – 76 beds per 10,000 inhabitants, and chronic shortages of equipment."

Solidarity's solution to this and to similar problems such as pollution – the report notes 27 ecologically endangered areas in Poland – is of necessity vague, simply calling on the authorities to change their attitudes. Pollution, it points out, is partly the result of economic ministries – concerned with growth and production at any cost – being in charge of the administration of national resources. In a conflict between economic growth and protection of the environment, the economy always wins.

In other areas, Solidarity is more specific about how the Jaruzelski leadership should change course:

- On civil rights: judges should be given real independence; prosecutors should be given a subordinate role in the courts; the principle of trade union pluralism should be restored – allowing several unions to exist side by side; workers' councils in factories should be set free of interference by managers; the higher education and censorship laws should be brought back in their original wording, as negotiated with Solidarity.
- On the economy: to satisfy the consumer, encourage the farmer and increase productivity, the government should give market forces greater play. At the moment, says the report, there are only piecemeal measures that are soon neutralized by deals struck between the central authorities and the various powerful lobbies in heavy industry.

The Solidarity experts write: "The deepest cause of the Polish crisis is the destruction of the elementary mutual trust between the people and the authorities." If the economy is to be reformed, other aspects of public life must be changed, for example by greater control of the police, the restoration of free trade unions and public confidence in the actions of those in power.

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MOB LAW IS NO LAW

The leader of those miners who last year dangled a noose above the head of Norman Willis yesterday effected the strangulation. Mr Willis and the TUC general council were rolled over by the industrial tribalism of which Arthur Scargill is such a crafty chieftain. TUC leaders who, during the dispute, had at best been nobly indifferent to an illegal strike and at worst safely supine when the tocsin of solidarity was sounded might have expected hard words from the hard left at Blackpool. But the National Union of Mineworkers motion that passed, slackly drafted, extreme in its implications, and selfish in conception made a nonsense of any talk about "the new realism". This was old-fashioned producer sovereignty, as clear a statement as the ordinary citizen will hear of the purpose of the Labour Party to be political workhorse for loud and greedy extra-parliamentary interest groups.

The motion passed has nothing to do with what even neutral commentators have sloppily started calling "Tory" laws. It wants the reversal of processes through the courts of suits at common law, of criminal actions. It takes offence at the entire judicial system. For this motion is yet another expression of the Scargillian theory of civic legitimacy, a hand-me-down idea from some dusty Lawrence and Wishart primer: the only law worth upholding is the "people's" law, the "boys" law – "our" law – mob law. The law and courts which protect Mr Scargill's person and the welfare underground of his members is presumably acceptable; the law that required the NUM to observe its own constitution and restrained its members from battering their fellow citizens is not. Mr Scargill's irresponsibility is long-attested. Its embrace yesterday by so many others is an unpleasant reminder of how much further there is to be travelled before certain trade unions can live in equilibrium with modern society.

The motion scraped majority. Some might read it merely as dyspepsia in an unsettled conference where the general council's touch is unsure and the new general secretary slow in finding his feet. The motion moreover calls for the TUC to lobby and campaign, activities which can be carried out with notable lack of zeal. But it matters, as much for Bournemouth as Blackpool. Labour's policy on NUM funds and miners' reinstatement is, despite last year's party conference, deeply ambiguous. Mr Kinnock would like to keep it that way. But now Mr Scargill has full wind in his sails: his object is to stamp the Labour Party indelibly as the NUM's parliamentary agent. Many in the party wish this, so confused have their notions of socialism become. There should be no mistaking the seriousness of the test here for Mr Kinnock's modernization scheme. No party committed to turning court fines into bagatelles or plucking convicted criminals from jail could ever be considered fit for the general government of the country.

Because of that some will greet yesterday's defeat of the TUC general council as a political coup for the government, an early sign of better weather after the summer's gloom. Such thoughts might be comforting, but they are sectarian. The unions form, for better or worse, a limb of the body politic. Without exaggerating their representativeness within the work force, they are a source of moral values, capable as much of ameliorating as of tainting the political culture of the country. Yesterday's motion stains the fabric, with its implicit notion of "socialist" law and justice reserved only for members of great and privileged institutions. Its passage may well add steel to the party of modernizers within the union movement who can visualize and are prepared to build a role for employee organizations within an economically dynamic, high-technology Britain. To leave the TUC may be the only way to escape the chains of an outdated and sinister syndicalism now at large in Blackpool.

NEW BOY, OLD MYTHS

Unionist politicians in Ulster are deeply suspicious of Mr Hurd's architectural role in the Anglo-Irish talks about Northern Ireland and were looking for his removal. On Friday Mr Molyneaux and Mr Paisley met Mrs Thatcher at their request in conditions of secrecy. On Monday Mr Hurd was removed, elevated to the Home Office. Fishy?

Only the most fevered political brain could find in that *post* a *propter*. The plainest thing of all about the changeover at the Northern Ireland Office is that it does not signify any alteration of policy. The dynamics of Mr Hurd's translation did not push him from his old office, they pulled him to his new one. It was Mrs Thatcher's need of a new Home Secretary that prompted it. Besides, the Government's Irish policy is the property of a senior Cabinet committee and the Prime Minister is herself engaged in it. It does not hang on the identity of the Secretary of State.

All the same, in its Irish context the move is not a little surprising. The talks between London and Dublin relating to a new framework for the administration of Northern Ireland within the United Kingdom are coming to a climax. Ministers on both sides have put the chances of an agreed outcome at fifty-fifty, although the odds now look shorter than that. According to the Irish Government there are still crucial matters to be settled. According to Mr Hurd last week both Cabinets will have the final substance for their consideration within weeks rather than months. And now the British minister with the most direct responsibility for the conduct of the negotiations is removed from the scene. Does it matter?

Both London and Dublin are at pains to say it does not. London, because the final negotiating position has now been reached so far as they are concerned. Dublin, because the process is under the personal direction of the two prime ministers and will continue in the same positive manner regardless of what happens to the supporting cast. Provided Dublin can wear the embarrassment of being exposed in the belief that it is still negotiating while the British have finished, and provided it does not take umbrage at the untimely reminder of Westminster's political priorities, the course of the Anglo-Irish process will not be diverted.

Memories however are stirring of the withdrawal of Mr William Whitelaw from Northern Ireland for similar reasons when the ink was scarcely dry on the Sunningdale agreement of December 1973 – and the collapse of that edifice within six months. Mr Tom King's inexperience of Irish affairs may not affect the momentum already established towards a Thatcher-FitzGerald accord. But it could well affect his task of putting across and winning assent to whatever the new dispensation turns out to be.

He will be operating in a strange environment, dark with the shadow of history and mythologies of history, strewn with symbols whose significance is visible only when they are familiar, loud with the clamour of petty politicians whose fears and ambitions are not always what they seem. He may be confronted by the flaring of republican violence and possibly of loyalist counter-violence. The province will have to be handled with firmness and finesse. It is not enough for the proconsul to know where he is going; he will have to know where to place his feet to get there.

It is a tough assignment for a minister two months, three months into office. It was one of the Prime Minister's objects in her new posting to deploy the communicators more effectively. Mr King will be communicating in a political language of alarming resonance and hidden nuances which he will have to pick up as he goes along.

Pupil polymath

From the Master of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge

Sir, Poor Dr Arnold, so often still wrongly blamed for ills in the school curriculum of today! What he was saying in the letter to a former pupil, of which Mr Hey (August 30) quotes only a very small and misleading part, was that science was too great a subject to be taught on the side and that, if it were taught as fully as it should be, it would be likely to displace the more important ingredient of a liberal education, the study of humanities and religion.

While he may properly be criticised for not having any vision of science as a major area of knowledge of which all pupils should have some understanding, was he so wrong in believing that a liberal education cannot be gained through the accumulation of facts about the natural world, however interesting in themselves?

Yours faithfully,
M. McCRUM,
St Petroc,
Polzeath,
North Cornwall.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Right of way in NW Passage

From Mrs Elizabeth Young

Sir, Jack Davis, writing (August 29) as a member of the British Columbia Legislative Assembly, is prepared to welcome as a "transportation breakthrough" the free passage of foreign ships through the Canadian Archipelago.

There are other considerations than the breakthrough in "transportation" and I belive the United States government is being dangerously shortsighted in insisting that there are rights of passage hereabouts.

If there are to be rights of passage for US vessels, there are also rights of passage for Soviet vessels. Given the enormous fleet of icebreakers and ice-strengthened vessels at its disposal (many of them nuclear-powered), the Soviet Union is far better equipped to use these waters than is the US or indeed Canada itself.

The importance of the Arctic to Nato is at last being recognised, as your report of August 30 makes clear. It would be both absurd and dangerous if the United States were now to insist on opening Canadian waters to Soviet fleets.

The Arctic may well soon be needing an internationally agreed navigation regime, as more and more use is made of its ice-covered waters: an exercise of this kind against the will of the Canadian Government is no way to go about securing such a regime.

Yours etc.
ELIZABETH YOUNG,
100 Bayswater Road, W2.
September 2.

Britoil share issue

From Mr David Hurwich

Sir, In the recent Britoil issue I applied for 1,000 shares at £1 and was allotted 100 in accordance with the stated policy of encouraging small shareholders. I sold those shares through my bank and today received notification that the sale price of my shares was £1.27. Of my £27 profit, the stockbroker deducted £15 on which VAT is levied of £2.25 and I am left with £9.75. Out of this princely sum, I will have incurred bank charges and the issuers will have had my £1,000 for approximately two weeks.

The small investor may not deserve much respect from the City, but may I, as a chartered accountant and therefore not a complete financial innocent, suggest that this whole affair strikes me as a cynical financial rip-off.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID HURWICH,
34 Red Lion Square, WC1.
August 30.

Memory of NHS

From Dr Daniel Beeton

Sir, Mr Studd (August 29) may be reading too much into Britain's relatively low expenditure on health care.

The reason for this is that health care is provided direct by the State in this country, whereas in many other countries patients are reimbursed by the State for treatment received wholly in the private sector.

By *cutting out private-sector* profits, and keeping down costs by bulk purchases, the British system allows more health care to be provided at a lower cost. For this reason, simple expenditure comparisons understate Britain's true standard of health care relative to other countries'.

Yours faithfully,
DANIEL BEETON,
Queen Mary College,
University of London,
Department of Economics,
Mile End Road, E1.

Certificate details

From Ms Margaret Allen

Sir, My daughter has recently married and, to my astonishment, the marriage certificate required that she stated her father's profession or occupation, but not mine.

I am not sure that there is any relevance in asking for this information: surely names of parents are enough? In our case, however, it so happens that my daughter has been raised entirely by me, and supported from my earnings. Surely today, when so many women go out to work, have real careers and are often the sole supporters of their children, they deserve equal billing with fathers on marriage certificates.

It goes without saying, of course, that the mother's name goes under that of the father on the certificate. It seems time that some changes are made in marriage certificates to recognise the realities of the 1980s.

Yours faithfully,
MARGARET ALLEN,
116 Cheyne Walk, SW10.

Facts behind UGC financial cuts

From Sir Edward Parkes, FEng

Sir, In your Special Report on the Engineering Assembly (September 2) you repeat once again the myth of the anti-technology attitude of the University Grants Committee during the 1981 cuts in university funding and cite, as always, the universities of Aston and Salford. Throughout the abuse heaped on the UGC during the crisis, and since, I and my colleagues have remained silent, against (to be fair to them) the advice of both the Secretary of State and the Prime Minister.

But the universities of Aston and Salford are today very different institutions from what they were five years ago, and it seems to me to be only fair to the members of the UGC technology sub-committee of that day for me to break that silence, since to do so can no longer harm the two universities concerned.

In a period when university finances overall were cut by some 15 per cent, the UGC strove to retain, and even slightly increase, the grant to technology. It did so by major cuts in the arts and social sciences and, to a smaller extent, in some areas of science.

The technology sub-committee was insistent, and the UGC accepted its advice, that this hard-won money must be used to support those departments at the forefront of modern engineering, and that it should be augmented by taking money away from moribund and out-of-date departments.

The result was that the leading technological universities (Loughborough, Bath) and the universities in the forefront of modern electronics (Edinburgh, Southampton and others) gained, and those which had too many departments which had failed to keep up with modern technology, lost. Not surprisingly, the winners kept quiet, and the losers complained.

It so happened that at about the time of the cuts, Aston and Salford both acquired new and able vice-chancellors. Partly as a result of the cuts themselves (which enabled them to dispose of their more antiquated assets) and partly as a result of vigorous direction, both universities now have dynamic departments and both seem to me to have a bright future. Because of this change I feel that I can now break my silence and say that, at least in the opinion of the UGC technology sub-committee, this was not true five years ago.

Yours,
EDWARD PARKES,
The Round House,
St David's,
Dyfed.
September 2.

Europe and the SDI

From Air Vice-Marshal S. W. B Menaul

Sir, As a long-time member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies I entirely disagree with and dissociate myself from Mr Anthony Gardner's views (August 30), in particular his dogmatic assertion that "informed observers in Britain are strongly opposed to any form of strategic defence and deeply concerned about the political implications of the President's vision." Who are these informed observers? I very much doubt whether Mr Gardner has carried out a poll.

Those of us who were concerned with the V-2 attacks on southern England in 1944 have never ceased to be interested in, and concerned about, the lack of defence against ballistic missiles. The idea is not new. Both the superpowers have been engaged in research into ballistic missile defence since the 1950s.

At the signing of the Anti-ballistic Missile Defence Treaty (ABM) in 1972, both had ABM systems of limited capability. The Soviet Union deployed her Galosh system around Moscow and has expanded and improved it as new technology became available. The United States cancelled her Safeguard system in 1974, but continued research.

It is only in the last five or six years that emerging high technology has offered the prospect of designing an effective defence system against ballistic missiles with the possibility of deploying such a system within the next decade or so. Until recently, Europeans have shown little or no interest in the subject, yet it is just as logical to seek to deploy a defence against ballistic missiles armed with nuclear or conventional warheads as it is to deploy a defence against manned aircraft or other delivery vehicles similarly armed.

Nato needs a defence against ballistic missiles as a deterrent and defence against the massive Soviet theatre and battlefield nuclear ballistic missiles targeted on almost every high value Nato military target.

At their Luxembourg meeting in March, 1985, the Nato ministers agreed to

> support the United States research programme . . . the aim of which is to enhance stability and deterrence at reduced levels of offensive nuclear forces. This research, conducted within the terms of the ABM treaty, is in Nato's security interests and should continue.

That is precisely what the SDIO programme is all about.

If the research should prove that an effective ballistic missile defence system is a practical proposition, the President of the United States and European leaders will have at their disposal the information on which to decide whether to deploy a ballistic missile defence system in either the strategic or theatre role.

That decision will be influenced by what the Soviet Union does during the next decade. All the indications are that she is actively engaged on a research programme very similar to SDI but in some aspects, particularly laser and particle beam development, she may be ahead of the United States.

Inexperienced and not very well informed comment from such as Mr Gardner does not contribute much to the ongoing debate.

Yours sincerely,
STEWART MENAUL,
The Lodge,
Frensham Vale,
Lower Bourne,
Farnham,
Surrey.
August 30.

Ecology and jobs

From Mr Hugh Coates

Sir, Oliver Walston (August 28) defends large scale mechanized farming by saying that he could pursue a low input, low output system with even less people. While that may be possible, it is clearly undesirable. Farming large arable acreages while minimizing labour employed leads to disastrous soil erosion.

According to the British Soil Survey 44 per cent of arable land is subject to erosion which averages 18 tonnes per hectare in East Anglia. This must be bad economics for the nation even if it is good for Mr Walston.

The pressure which drives people from the land is a basic economic matter not directly related to a particular farming system. This started with the Enclosure Acts and *continues still today.*

We need, not to return to the last century, but progress to integrating more people into a balanced agrarian life that places value on the non-material benefits while producing quality foods and maintaining our soils in good heart.

We have experience of farming some 1,100 acres and know that application of ecological principles can give gross margins better than national averages. The use of the income so generated is a matter for the farmer and society to debate.

Yours faithfully,
HUGH COATES,
Springhill Farms (Dinton) Ltd.
Dinton,
Aylesbury,
Buckinghamshire.

Strife in Cambodia

From Dr M. H. Lao

Sir, I have recently completed a research project on the collapse of Cambodia, where I am from. I have found that the leader in today's *Times* (August 27) which welcomes the recent move by the Indo-Chinese foreign ministers to bring about a peaceful settlement in Cambodia contains some misconceptions about the conflict there.

The war there is not a "civil war", as stated in the article. It is an aggression war waged by the Vietnamese communist leaders with an army of between 160,000 and 180,000 men to subjugate the Cambodians. The Heng Samrin Government is no more than a quisling government which any modern totalitarian conqueror would have to install to mask his conquest.

The article seems to grant that Government some degree of legitimacy even if it has acknowledged that the same Government has "failed to generate the economic and cultural revitalization Cambodians hoped for". The regime's apologists would blame the climatic conditions, insecurity, the lack of developmental aid, etc, while, in fact, that failure comes from communism itself.

Over the last six years the climatic conditions have not differed much from the past. Insecurity has been caused by the presence of the Vietnamese troops. Since its creation the Heng Samrin Government has received economic and humanitarian aid totalling over £1,000 million, an amount no previous regime has ever received.

Because of its foreign creation and of its utter failure to ensure peace and economic welfare for the Cambodians tht Government cannot claim to have, nor should be given, any legitimacy, let alone any legality, to represent them.

Hanoi's pledge to "complete" the withdrawal of its troops from Cambodia by 1990 should be greeted with extreme doubt. It is still a debatable issue whether it has pulled out any so far. As is well known (at least in South-east Asia), Hanoi has over 40,000 troops in Laos despite the fact that that country has a more legitimate and more secure government and also a more experienced army than Heng Samrin's Cambodia.

Talks could eventually restore Cambodia's independence and bring peace to its people. However, as the events of the last 30 years in Indo-China have proved, under a settlement which is imposed from the negotiating table and which excludes the opinions and wishes of the Cambodians, and under an authoritarian or totalitarian regime that may rule afterwards, that peace could well turn out to be just a mere truce. Furthermore, the dictatorial regimes that have ruled that country have brought miseries and wars to its people, and are apt to "export" the country's sovereignty to foreign (neighbouring) powers.

Now a growing number of present and potential Cambodian leaders and elites have realized that those regimes can no longer ensure their country's independence and long-lasting peace, let alone freedom and prosperity. They have staunchly advocated and actually fought for liberal democracy and its attribute, the free enterprise economic system, for their country.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
M. H. LAO,
42 Cae Llepa, Bangor,
Gwynedd.

Nuclear efficiency

From Dr Trevor Broom, FEng

Sir, The article, "Scots lead the world in nuclear efficiency" (August 12), takes at face value the comparison of utilities in respect of load factors of nuclear power stations given in a table accompanying an article in the technical magazine *Nuclear Engineering International*. The important caveats entered by the article's author were ignored, in particular, that the table reproduced was limited to utilities operating four or more nuclear reactors.

Using the detailed statistics in another table in the same article, we find that the South of Scotland Electricity Board achieved from their two large AGR (advanced gas-cooled reactors) at Hunterston, Scotland, last year a load factor of 73 per cent. Their only other two and much smaller Magnox reactors achieved a 86 per cent load factor. These two numbers were averaged to give the number quoted – 79.5 per cent.

It so happens that the two twin CEGB AGR reactors at Hinkley Point, Somerset, commissioned in 1976 at the same time as the Hunterston B reactors, had a combined load factor of 79 per cent; the load factor of the two Hinkley Magnox reactors was 84 per cent. Arithmetically averaged, the combined load factor was 81.5 per cent.

To arrive at the figure of 53 per cent for all CEGB nuclear power stations, the author arithmetically averaged the load factors of all nuclear plants regardless of size and age. The average included, for example, the small pioneer Magnox reactors at Berkeley for which the load factor in 1984/85 was low because of major overhaul and modification work. Also included were the CEGB's five new AGR units – representing over one third of the nuclear capacity – for which load factors were artificially low because, being new, the plants were only just building up output.

An analysis of detailed tabulation on reactor performance in the article shows that 14 utilities and companies operating PWRs (pressurized water-cooled reactors) achieved average load factors for their nuclear plant in 1984/85 in excess of the 79 per cent achieved by Hinkley B AGR station.

A better indication of reactor performance is to look at cumulative performance to date and this is also given in a separate table of world reactors in the same *Nuclear Engineering International* article. This shows that the best AGR station, CEGB's Hinkley B, was 186th out of 232 units listed; 102 PWRs were placed above Hinkley.

Yours sincerely,
TREVOR BROOM,
Director General,
Technology Planning and
Research Division,
Central Electricity
Generating Board,
Courtenay House,
18 Warwick Lane, EC4.
August 20.

Principles and moral outlook

From the Archbishop of York

Sir, I have just seen Mr Johnson's article of August 22 in which he quotes me as thinking that differences between "right and wrong, good and evil" are "largely a question of degree". What I actually wrote was ". . . in practice most contentious ethical issues arise in the murky area where principles conflict, facts are ambiguous and differences are largely a question of degree."

I hesitate to accuse him of wilful misrepresentation. It is obvious, though, that he does not understand the difference between holding to absolute principles and uncertainty about the precise application of those principles.

There is a factual and interpretative element in the making of actual moral decisions, which may well be ambiguous even when the moral principles themselves are clear. It is thus possible to hold, as I do, that innocent human life is sacred and must not be destroyed, while at the same time admitting a degree of uncertainty about the ethical significance of the earliest and most fragile stages of embryonic development.

Neglect of this distinction allows the phrase "moral absolutism" to be used in two very different senses. Mr Johnson starts his article with a perfectly proper defence of moral principles, but seems to imagine that once these are established his conclusions follow automatically and that anyone who doubts this must doubt the principles.

In the face of such confusion it is small wonder that no sensible debate is possible, and that both so-called "absolutists" and so-called "relativists" lapse into invective.

Yours faithfully,
EBOR:,
Bishopthorpe, York.
September 2.

Museum charges

From Mr Hugh Leggatt

Sir, In your report (August 30) on the so-called voluntary admission charges which are to be introduced at the Victoria and Albert Museum, you rightly state that museums and galleries which are opponents of charging may feel that, if they do not charge, reductions in Government funding may well force them to do so against their will.

However, may I add that if the trustees of national institutions do decide to charge for admission against their better judgment, I am convinced that the Treasury will, directly or indirectly, eventually appropriate in one way or another the cash the galleries are able to extract from their visitors.

A leopard does not change its spots.

Yours faithfully,
HUGH LEGGATT,
17 Duke Street, St James's, SW1.

Up, down, down under

From Mrs Helen Thornton

Sir, I grew up in Australia where children were permitted, as here, to travel at concessionary rates on commuter buses and trains. There was a condition, however: the concessionary ticket bought a seat only when adults were not standing, and this condition was widely advertised.

I am constantly surprised at parents travelling with children who allow and encourage them to use seats when adults, often elderly and frail, are standing. These same parents may in future years be among those who complain at the lack of respect and consideration shown to the old by the young.

Should our transport authorities introduce the same condition in Britain?

Yours,
HELEN THORNTON,
131 Dalling Road, W6.

ON THIS DAY

SEPTEMBER 4, 1878

The Princess Alice left London with over 900 on board including about 250 children. The exact number lost was never recorded but certainly it was not less than 650. Months afterwards bodies were being cast up on the banks of the Thames. The Board of Trade inquiry held that the Princess Alice instead of starboarding helm should have continued under port helm. The Coroner's verdict was naïve - both ships "should have eased and stopped in time".

FEARFUL COLLISION ON THE RIVER.

GREAT LOSS OF LIFE.

One of the most fearful disasters of modern times occurred last evening on the River Thames at Woolwich. The Princess Alice, one of the largest saloon steamers of the London Steamboat Company, with 600 or 700 souls on board, left London about 11 o'clock yesterday morning for Gravesend and Sheerness, many excursionists being induced by the fine weather to go on board for a holiday trip. The vessel left *Gravesend on the return journey soon* after 6 o'clock yesterday evening, and arrived within sight of the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, at about 8. A large screw steamer, said to be named the Bywell Castle, was then approaching on the opposite course. The two steamers were near the middle of the stream, just off the well-known City of London Gasworks at Beckton, and just below North Woolwich Gardens, almost the precise spot, in fact, where the fatal collision occurred between the Metis and the Wentworth some ten years ago. What happened it is impossible accurately to detail; all that is known amid the maddening excitement is that the screw ship struck the Princess Alice on the port side near the fore sponson. A scene which has had no parallel on the river ensued. A few - very few - clambered on to the other vessel; nearly all rushed to the after part of the steamer as the bow subsided gradually under water. The shrieks were fearful, and nothing could be done to save life. There were a dozen or more lifebuoys on board, and some boats were swinging in the davits; but, even if they could have been got at, what would they have been among so many? The Princess Alice sank deeper and deeper, and within five minutes of the fatal blow she heeled completely over and went down in deep water. Some small boats which happened to be near hastened to the dreadful scene, and the Duke of Teck, another steamer belonging to the same company, which was also on her passage up with a party of excursionists, went to the rescue, but the river for a hundred yards was full of drowning people screaming in anguish and praying for help.

The only coherent account our correspondent was able to obtain came from a passenger on board the Duke of Teck, Mr Warren Hawkes, landlord of the Steam Packet, Woolwich, who, assisted by Mr. Henry Plaisted, also of Woolwich, saved several of the passengers. Some half-dozen women wrapped in blankets before the fire in the Steam Packet kitchen, and about a dozen who were supposed to have gone to their homes by rail, composed the full roll of survivors. The dead were soon afterwards brought in - men, women, and little children. The Board-room of the steamboat company on Rolf's Wharf was turned into a temporary mortuary, and the gas was lighted in the Town-hall to receive any bodies that might be recovered. But even of the recovered dead there were not more than about a score all told. The floor of the scanty Board-room was almost covered with the bodies as *they lie where they were* put down for shells, and stretchers were bringing them up from the Duke of Teck and the small boats. All the police of the town and the Arsenal helped in the work, laying the corpses in order, putting labels on their breasts, and doing all the little that there is to be done when all are impatient to do much. Outside the Board-room window is a balcony, upon which lie as in repose the bodies of three or four little children - mere babies. The majority of the dead are women. A body has been identified, that of Joseph Freeman, the steward, who had been with the company all his life. The engineer was saved, but the captain, William Grinstead, and all, or nearly all, the remainder of his crew were among the lost in the dark river. Mr. Towse, the superintendent of the company's fleet, was on board with his wife and five or six children, but went *on shore at Gravesend.* The body of his wife was one of those brought to Woolwich, and there is too much cause to fear that all the children were drowned, though a rumour prevails that one has been saved. . . .

Affection from abroad

From Mr A. B. Ingledow

Sir, On receiving this morning a letter from my son, postmarked in Ouaga-Dougu, Burkina Faso, on August 19, 1985, I noticed with no little astonishment, that the 85 franc stamp on it bore the contemporary head of her Majesty, the Queen Mother, together with a picture of her Majesty with King George VI, on the occasion, as the caption states, of the *"Mariage de Lady Elizabeth avec Albert, Duc de York, 26:4:1926"*. The caption continues *"85e anniversaire de la Reine Mère d'Angleterre, 1900-1985"*.

That affection for her Majesty is worldwide is well known, but surely this tribute from an unpretentious African country, small in population and resources and Francophone as well, must be one of those most valued by a remarkable lady.

Yours faithfully,
A. B. INGLEDOW,
Wychwood,
2 Castle Road,
Camberley,
Surrey.
August 24.

Glories recalled

From Mr S. A. Cotton

Sir, The houses built here on the old railway line are called Beeching Close.

Yours faithfully,
S. A. COTTON,
28 Sauncey Avenue,
Harpenden,
Hertfordshire.

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE

September 3: The Princess of Wales today visited Forties Charlie Platform in the Forties Field, Central North Sea.

Her Royal Highness, attended by Mrs George West and Lieutenant-Commander Peter Eberle, RN, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Prince Andrew left Dyce Airport, Aberdeen this morning in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for The Netherlands where His Royal Highness will visit the Eastern Scheldt Flood Prevention Scheme.

Wing Commander Adam Wise was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

September 3: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the Save the Children Fund, this morning attended a Launch Reception of *The Children's Book* in aid of Famine in Africa at Guildhall, London EC2.

Mrs Malcolm Wallace was in attendance.

A memorial service for Major Sir Derrick Gunston, Bt, will be held on Wednesday, October 30, at noon in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks, SW1.

Rear Admiral Sir Anthony Miers, VC

A service of Thanksgiving for the life of Rear-Admiral Sir Anthony Miers, VC, will be held in the Metropolitan Cathedral of St George, Southwark, at 11 on Thursday, October 31, 1985. Those wishing to have seats reserved for the service should apply in writing to The Secretary, Navy Department Funeral Committee, Ministry of Defence, Room 202 Archway Block South, Old Admiralty Building, Spring Gardens, London, SW1, not later than September 20, 1985. Those who have already applied for tickets need not apply again.

Exeter School

Michaelmas Term begins tomorrow and ends on December 19. The head prefect will be J. R. Tipper and captain of rugby football, B. W. Crowder. Pupils will give a concert and drama presentation on September 20 and 21 at the Scharnhorstgymnasium, Hildesheim, as part of that school's centenary celebrations.

The new classroom block will be opened on October 2 by Dr David Harrison, Vice-Chancellor of Exeter University. Speech Day is on October 24, when the Visitor will be Mr Melvyn Bragg. The school play, Zuckmayer's *Captain of Köpernick*, is on December 5–7 and the Christmas concert on December 17.

Luncheons

Propeller Club of the United States

Mr Sam Notkin, President of the Propeller Club of the United States, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the American Embassy. Mr R. C. Charvet, Prime Warden of the Shipwrights' Company, was the guest speaker and Mr W. S. Wilder also spoke.

Royal Society of St George

The City of London Branch of the Royal Society of St George held a luncheon at the Unicorn Hotel, Bristol, yesterday when Mr Graham R. Redcliffe, accompanied by Mrs Redcliffe, was in the chair. The Deputy Lord Mayor of Bristol replied to the civic toast. Mr Redcliffe presented a flag of the Cross of St George and commemorative plaque to the S.S. Great Britain project for which Mr Brian Wheddon replied.

Reception

HM Government

Mr J. Allan Stewart, Minister for Industry and Education at the Scottish Office, last night was host at a reception in Edinburgh Castle held to mark the meeting in Edinburgh of the fourth World Conference on Co-operative Education.

Latest appointments

Mr J. E. S. Cowling to be a county court and district registrar for Nottingham; Mr D. C. Lamdin to be a county court and district registrar for Bow and Romford; Mr J. E. Bishop to be a county court registrar for Woolwich and Lambeth; and Mr A. W. Armon-Jones to be a county court registrar for Edmonton and Clerkenwell.

Birthdays today

Miss Joan Aiken, 61; Sir Hubert Bennett, 76; Sir John Charnley, 63; Lord Dormer, 71; Dame Margaret Drummond, 68; Mr Henry Ford, II, 68; Mr Denis Howell, MP, 62; Sir Nicholas Jackson, 51; Mr H. J. Joel, 91; Mr Bill Kenwright, 40; Mr Dinsdale Landen, 53; Air Chief Marshal Sir David Lee, 73; Mr Justice Mars-Jones, 70; Mrs I. B. Robertson, 52; Mr Tom Watson, 36.

Latest wills

Howard, Mr Alan Bryke, of Stinchcombe, Gloucestershire £471,853

Forthcoming marriages

Mr M. A. Strutt and Mrs E. Lithgow

The engagement is announced between Martin, younger son of the Hon Peter and Mrs Strutt, of Stutton Hall, near Ipswich, Suffolk, and Emma, daughter of Mrs Richard Cobbold, of Holbrook Lodge, near Ipswich, Suffolk, and of the late Mr Jeremy Holt.

Mr R. W. D. Barbour and Miss A. J. Cochrane-Dyet

The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr and Mrs R. F. Barbour, and Amanda, only daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel R. S. Cochrane-Dyet, of Clerks Piece, Hambleden, Henley-on-Thames, and the late Mrs E. J. J. Goddard.

Mr K. G. Brunjes and Miss E. J. Gray

The engagement is announced between Karl, younger son of Mr and Mrs H. O. Brunjes, of Corton, Suffolk, and Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G. N. Gray, of Wonston, Hampshire.

Major N. D Cooke, RA and Miss S. J. Richards

The engagement is announced between Nigel David, second son of Colonel and Mrs D. C. Cooke, of Chough Cottage, Barming, Kent, and Sara Jane, daughter of Colonel and Mrs J. D. Richards, of The Platts, Bodle Street Green, East Sussex.

Mr W. F. Redford and Miss E. C. Willis Fleming

The engagement is announced between William, elder son of Mr and Mrs W. Mel. Redford, of Kensington, London, and Emma, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. N. Willis Fleming, of St Helens, Isle of Wight.

Mr A. J. R. Gordon and Dr D. S. Marossy

The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of Colonel J. R. Gordon, of Southwell, Nottinghamshire, and Mrs J. C. Gordon, of Soberton, Hampshire, and Dalma, daughter of Mr and Mrs B. Marossy, of South Croydon, Surrey.

Mr A. W. L. Sladen and Miss A. C. Andrew

The engagement is announced between Andrew, only son of the late Mr David M. L. Sladen and of Mrs Michael Carey, of Wrington, Somerset, and Ailsa, younger daughter of the late Mr Ian C. Andrew and of Mrs Andrew, of Bramhall, Cheshire.

Mr P. W. Sherred and Miss J. Gillham

The engagement is announced between Peter William, only son of Mrs E. A. Sherred and the late Captain W. P. C. Sherred (MN), of Dover, Kent, and Josephine, only daughter of Mr and Mrs K. Gillham, of Rochester, Kent.

Mr P. Senti, RAF, and Miss W. Smith

The engagement is announced between Paul, second son of Mr and Mrs Alan Scott of Daventry, and Wendy, eldest daughter of Flight Lieutenant and Mrs T. F. R. Smith, of High Wycombe.

Mr T. H. Weir and Miss N. A. Lumsden

The engagement is announced between Thomas, son of the late Mr Duncan Weir and Mrs Norah Weir, of Abinger, Surrey, and Naomi, younger daughter of the late Mr Geoffrey Lumsden and Mrs Helen Lumsden, of Salisbury, Wiltshire.

Marriage

Mr J. R. E. Campbell-Lamerton and Miss M. L. Thorneycroft

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Haslemere, of Mr Jeremy Campbell-Lamerton, eldest son of Colonel and Mrs Michael Campbell-Lamerton, of the RMA Sandhurst, and Miss Mary Louise Thorneycroft, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Edward Thorneycroft, of Tigbourne Farm, Wormley, Surrey. Canon Oliver Kelly officiated, assisted by Canon Francis Bartlett, Father Sir Hugh Barrett-Lennard, Bt, and Dom Martin Salmon, OSB. Mgr Ralph Brown read the papal blessing.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Sarah Hasslacher, Elizabeth Fisher, Charlotte Cottrell, Jonathan and Andrew Pollen. Mr Alastair Bruce of Crionaich was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Christening

The infant daughter of Mr and the Hon Mrs James Bentley was christened Sophie Katharine on Sunday, September 1, 1985, at The Church of the Holy Spirit, SW4, by the Rev Ernest Mason. The godparents are Mr Chistopher Evans, Mr Peter Richardson (for whom Mr John Bentley stood proxy), Dr Sally Colver, Mrs Roderick Davidson and Miss Lucy Pym.

Correction

Mr Peter Holwell has been appointed Principal of London University in succession to Dr William Taylor, who is to be Vice-Chancellor of Hull University. He takes up his post on October 1. An incorrect report of Mr Holwell's appointment appeared on August 24.



The joint winners of the £25,000 prize, Mr Paul Huxley (left) and Mr John Bellany (Photograph Chris Harris).

Athena takes a leaf out of Booker's books

By Hugh Clayton

The first Athena arts prize of £25,000 was split equally yesterday between two of the best-known of the 1,600 entrants. "It is very difficult to judge", Mr John Bellany said after winning his share of the award with an impressionist study entitled Fortunatus.

The award was mounted by the Athena group of poster shops in declared imitation of the Booker prize for fiction. But Athena tried to out-Booker the literary award by offering a top prize of £25,000 instead of the novelists' £15,000.

The other half of the Athena prize went to Mr Paul Huxley for an abstract called Dual Figure 1985. He and Mr Bellany have exhibited widely and have worked as art teachers for many years. One of Mr Bellany's latest commissions is a portrait of Ian Botham and Mr Huxley is working on a wall design for four platforms at King's Cross Underground station in London.

He explained that he wanted to improve the present "draughty, sordid and dirty" environment there with "a sequence of shapes that have developed like a strip cartoon".

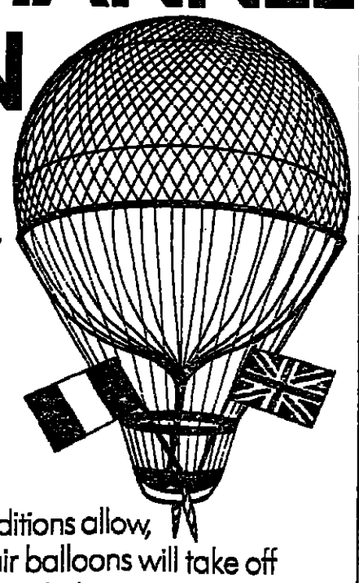
The award is meant to establish Athena as a patron of fine art rather than just a poster factory. Mr Terry Maher, chairman of Athena International and its parent Pentos group, explained that the award scheme was meant to "raise the profile" of Athena.

The top 98 entries are on show for the next days at a free exhibition at the Mall Galleries near Trafalgar Square in London. Mr Maher said that the contest had proved a valuable quarry for Athena in its search for work by new artists that was worth reproducing in print form.

The challenging entries submitted by yesterday's two top award winners are not among the 26 already chosn by Athena for mass reproduction. "Contemporary art is going to be the biggest part of our programme", Mr Maher said.

The award was organized at arms' length from Athena by an independent committee chaired by Lord Annan, chairman of the trustees of the National Gallery. The judges were Professor Colin Wilson, professor of architecture at Cambridge University, Mr Bryan Robertson, former director of the Whitechapel Art Gallery in London and Mr Douglas Hall, keeper of the Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art in Edinburgh.

THE GREAT BICENTENARY CROSS CHANNEL BALLOON RACE IS READY TO GO.



As soon as weather conditions allow, an international fleet of hot air balloons will take off from the Earl of Guilford's stately home, Waldershare Park, near Dover. To celebrate the first historic Channel crossing by balloon in 1785.

ELLE Magazine, who are sponsoring the event in aid of the Leukaemia Research Fund and Help the Hospices, would like to wish all the competitors good luck in their ascent.

Science report

Heating the home using underground water

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

An extensive source of low-temperature water, which could be used for domestic heating or commercial purposes, has been discovered in rock formations between 1,100 and 1,850 metres below ground near Cleethorpes, Humberside.

The underground reserve of energy was found at one of the sites being explored in the Department of Energy's geothermal research and development programme for predicting the location, extent, depth, temperature and properties of aquifers containing hot water.

Preliminary results of the test drilling on the outskirts of Cleethorpes are given in the latest bulletin on progress in research into renewable energy from the department. Previous work has concentrated on the development of the aquifer in the Wessex basin into which boreholes were drilled at Southampton.

The Humberside project is the first well for geothermal prospecting and testing to have been drilled into the Yorkshire-Lincolnshire sedimentary basin. The target for which the geologists were aiming were the strata known as the Basal Permian Sands, at about 1,850 metres deep, and the Triassic Sherwood Sandstone at 1,100 metres.

Because of the greater depth, the permian sandstone is at a higher temperature than the strata above. Drilling and scientific testing took place in stages, and each level of penetration was analysed fully before starting on the next measure.

The complete operation, costing £1.5 million, was organized by the energy technology support unit at Harwell, which acts for the Department of Energy in planning renewable energy research projects.

Penetration of the upper formation Sherwood sandstone was reached in three stages, and the thickness of the strata then explored – 400 metres – was exactly as predicted by the techniques under tests for forecasting accuracy.

A "gas-lift" experiment for forcing water to the surface showed that the structure was very permeable and able to supply flows of 30 litres a second with only a small pumping requirement. The temperature of the water of 48°C was slightly higher than expected, indicating that the lower part of the sandstone bed was the source of the reservoir being tapped.

However, the primary target of Basal Permian Sands was a thinner layer below the 1,865 metre level measuring 26 metres rather than an expected 43 metres. But measurements of the core samples showed that more than 19 metres of the strata comprised a very permeable material, and the maximum temperature taken by instruments placed down the hole was 64°C.

An attempt at a "gas-lift" test was abandoned because the well-casing developed a leak just above the Sherwood sandstone. Nevertheless, subsequent laboratory analysis of the records of instrument measurements throughout the operation and of core samples indicated that the Permian formation is too small an aquifer for exploitation at this site.

Further to the south-east, where the structure is believed to be thicker, the lower formation should provide an energy reservoir as good as the upper Sherwood sandstone. But as that is a largely agricultural area with no significant demand for low grade heat, it will not be tested.

On the other hand, the higher layer which exists under an extensive urban area north and south of the Humber provides a potentially large resource. It could be used directly in group heating schemes using under-floor heating, for more conventional convector radiator heating, although some additional lift in temperature by means of a heat pump may be needed. Other possible direct uses are for glasshouse heating and fish farming.

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OBITUARY

SIR MUHAMMAD ZAFRULLA KHAN

Distinguished Pakistani Statesman



Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, KCST, the first foreign minister of Pakistan from 1947 to 1954, and a former President of the International Court of Justice at The Hague, died on September 1 at Lahore. He was 92 and one of the last surviving eminent men of public affairs of his generation.

He held high public office in the days of Empire as a member of the Viceroy's Council, and after independence achieved international recognition not only as a spokesman for Pakistan but also as President of the UN General Assembly and as an international jurist.

Chaudhri Muhammad Zafrulla was born on February 6, 1893, in the Sialkot district of Punjab. Though his was a cultivator's family, his father had made his name as a lawyer, a profession in which his son soon excelled him. Zafrulla was educated at an American mission school in Sialkot and at Government college, Lahore. Subsequently he studied law at King's College, London and was called to the bar by Lincoln's Inn on the eve of the First World War.

On his return to India, he began to practise with his father at Sialkot, but it was not long before he moved to Lahore, the provincial capital, where he worked in the chambers of Sir Chaudri Khan Bahadur Shahabuddin, who was later Speaker of the Punjab Assembly.

Shahabuddin was the editor of the prestigious law journal *Indian cases* and Zafrulla served first as his deputy and later as his successor.

From these early beginnings he soon built up a lucrative practice, and by the 1930s, at the peak of his profession, he commanded considerable fees and acted as prosecuting counsel in some highly publicised cases, including the Delhi conspiracy case.

His entry into the world of politics came through the patronage of Fazl-i-Husain, who recognized in him a man of exceptional intelligence, clarity of mind and persuasive powers. Fazl-i-Husain, the founder of the Unionist party which dominated Punjab politics under the aegis of the British Raj in the inter-war years, regarded Zafrulla as his most trusted lieutenant, and it was for this reason that he found himself representing the Unionist party and wider Muslim interests in the crucial years when the Government of India Act of 1935 was being framed.

He entered the Punjab legislature in 1926; he was a delegate to all three round table conferences held in London in the early 1930s; and on Fazl-i-Husain's retirement from the Viceroy's Council in 1935, he was asked to succeed him as the Muslim member, initially assuming responsibility for railways and commerce.

As a member of the Viceroy's Council, Zafrulla was not only involved in supervising these two important departments. He was also called upon to represent the Government of India abroad, at the Coronation of George VI, at the Dominion Ministers' conference which discussed preparations for war in 1939, and at the United Nations.

In 1942, he was sent as Agent General to the Government of India in China to open direct diplomatic relations between Delhi and the Kuomintang regime at Chungking.

By this stage, with the Indian National Congress locked in confrontation with the Government of India over the Quit-India movement and the Muslim League emerging strongly with the demand for Pakistan, the future of India was in the melting pot.

Zafrulla's instinct was to preserve the unity of India. He wanted a just settlement of Muslim demands but he hoped that would be possible without partition. For this reason, he was relieved when the Congress and the League agreed in 1946 to accept the Cabinet mission plan and highly critical of Pandit Nehru for later sabotaging it.

Once it had been announced that Pakistan would come into being, however, he resigned from the Federal Court, where he had been serving as a judge, and opted for Pakistan.

It was a measure of the confidence placed in him by the leader of the Muslim League, Mr Jinnah, that he was asked to present the league's case to the Commission under Sir Cyril Radcliffe which was to decide the boundary between the two states.

Despite pressures of time, Zafrulla undertook this task almost singlehanded, though from the beginning he had reservations about Radcliffe's appointment and was later very critical of the award itself. He believed it favoured India by allotting to it both Gurdaspur district, which provided access to Kashmir, and the sub-district of Ferozepur which gave India control of the headworks of the Sutlej.

As the first foreign minister of Pakistan, Zafrulla spent much of his time pursuing disputes with India over Kashmir and the Indus waters. The Kashmir dispute, which led to war between India and Pakistan in 1948, produced some memorable clashes between Zafrulla and Khrishna Menon at the United Nations, and made the two men household names throughout the Subcontinent at that time.

Zafrulla worked hard to secure a UN resolution in favour of a plebiscite of the disputed territory, but despite UN efforts to give it effect, it ultimately remained a dead letter, as India progressively integrated the area under its control into the Union.

Zafrulla later renewed his acquaintance with the UN when in 1961 at the request of President Ayub Khan he returned as Pakistan's permanent representative.

In 1962, in a move which signalled the high international reputation he had achieved, he was elected President of the General Assembly, a job to which he brought gifts of organisation and conciliation which ensured him a smooth and popular term.

Though he had achieved very high office in government both before and after independence, Zafrulla's first love was the law. He did not care for the cut and thrust of party politics, and was never happier than when dealing with complex legal problems.

In the years before 1947 he had served as a judge of India's Federal Court, and after 1954 he began a long association with the International Court of Justice at The Hague. He was elected a member of the court on two separate occasions and from 1970-73 served as the court's president.

For a man of such distinction, Zafrulla was remarkably unpretentious and accessible. He was a man of deep religious convictions and spent much of his retirement writing on religious themes. As a member of the Ahmadi sect, however, he was deeply pained by the decision of the Pakistan National Assembly in 1974 under Mr Bhutto's government to declare the sect non-Muslim, and in his later years he visited the country infrequently, preferring instead to remain in England where he lived at the headquarters of the community in Putney.

BARONESS SHARP



Baroness Sharp, GBE, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Local Government from 1955 to 1966, died on September 1 at the age of 82.

She was a maker of Civil Service history. It was not simply that she was the first woman to attain the highest executive position in a great department. Her capacities and achievements were such as to make it impossible, from her time onward, to question the right of a woman to hold the office and carry the responsibilities of a Permanent Secretary.

Evelyn Adelaide Sharp was born on May 25, 1903, elder daughter of the Rev C. J. Sharp, vicar of Ealing. From St Paul's Girls' School, where she gained mainly athletic distinctions – she captained the school at cricket and netball – she went up in 1922 as a commoner to Somerville College, Oxford.

There her cheerfulness made her many friends, but her outstandig gifts were still slow to reveal themselves. She obtained a Second in Modern History, and in [illegible] passed into the Civil Service.

Not many girls at that time thought of the administrative grade of the Civil Service as their career. But Evelyn Sharp was capable of making her way in any company. Amng civil servants she possessed more than the average of resourcefulness and imagination, and she cared about achieving results that were useful. Her concern was always to do something about problems, not to pigeonhole them. She knew there was much to be done in the world, and she was impatient of standing still.

Starting in the Board of Trade, she soon transferred to the Ministry of Health, which then and for many years afterwards was the department principally concerned with local government matters. It was this relationship which became her speciality. During the Second World War she was seconded to the Treasury, where she established her ability to hold her own among the chosen few of the Civil Service; and from then on she was marked out for very high office.

In 1946 she was back with local government and its new post-war responsibilities, as Deputy Secretary in the recently created Ministry of Town and Country Planning. Two years later she was created DBE.

When housing and planning were once more brought together under the same department – she had learnt the dangers in separating them, and ever after insisted on their conjunction – she found herself Deputy Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and then, from 1955 onwards, a Permanent Secretary, a post which she held with distinction and unflagging vigour until her retirement in 1966.

It is even today, comparatively rare to find a woman as the executive head of a large and mainly male organization – so rare that men of high ability themselves might conceivably jib at serving under one. There was no feeling of that sort where Evelyn Sharp was in command. None of her subordinates ever questioned that she was the best man among them; in administration she had all the hard sense of a man, with the intuitions of a woman added to it. She was respected and feared, for mistakes or inaction brought sharp admonition as surely as precision and foresight earned appreciation.

Five Ministers of Housing and Local Government of different parties, enjoyed the benefit of her advice, invariably given with candid directness. They did not always see eye to eye with her, nor she with them; but not one of them would have wished for anyone else as his Permanent Secretary during his tenure of what was throughout those years a testing post.

Conservatives who only knew her by repute tended to suspect she was a Socialist, and vice versa. The truth is that she had a singularly non-party mind. She knew what she thought needed doing, but she perfectly understood parliamentary democracy and realized that party prejudices, while in her eyes an evil, were a necessary one.

During the lull which overtakes Whitehall in the weeks preceding a general election, she would occupy herself with drawing up two programmes for her Ministry over the next five years, one such as a Conservative and the other such as a Labour Minister might implement.

But her merit was that she did not attempt to do the Minister's job for him. Her part was to give advice in definite terms, and to explain forthrightly the probable consequences of alternative courses of action. If he overrode her advice, there was no worrying of him to get him to change his mind; he had decided, and instantly she bent her energies to see that the Department did everything to support his decision.

This was the more remarkable in that she was not one to present alternative courses as equally balanced. Her recommendations were firm; they were also resourceful. All the Ministers she served realized confidently that they had at their side a Permanent Secretary keen to cut a path through every problem, and always ready with a practical next step to suggest.

In 1961 she was raised to GBE, an unusual honour in Whitehall; with a smile she used to say that it was because the Order of the Bath was not deemed suitable for a woman. Somerville made her an Honorary Fellow in 1955, Oxford an Hon DCL in 1960, and Cambridge an Hon LLD in 1962. So university distinction came to her richly in the end. After her retirement she was a member of the Independent Broadcasting Authority from 1966 to 1973. She was created a life peer in 1968.

She did more than anyone else in this century to bring local and central government closely together, and in local government circles she earned a personal trust that was unique. At local authority conferences she could pungently express thoughts such as a Minister would scarce dare to utter.

She loved walking, and for holidays she would escape abroad to the mountains. She had something of their unemotionally strength: they challenged her, and she was at one with them. The Civil Service, to which she devoted all her working life, was never an end in itself to her. She saw it an instrument for making life better for the people of this country.

Mr Tom Morrison, a former All-Black player who was chairman of the New Zealand Rugby Football Union in the 1960s, has died in Wellington at the age of 72. He was an All-Black selector from 1950 to 1956.

Mrs Rosemary Constance (Robin) Sime, widow of His Honour William Arnold Sime CMG, MBE, QC, died on August 17. She was the daughter of Dr Cleaton Roberts, and she was married in 1938.

Lady Renison, widow of Sir Patrick Renison, GCMG, Governor of Kenya from 1959 to 1962, died on August 25. She was Eleanor Hope Gibb and she was married in 1936. He died in 1965.

Mr Leonard G. Almand, the reporter who covered the West End Magistrates' courts for more than 50 years until he retired in 1976, has died at the age of 73.

THE ARTS

Television

Gnawing obsessions

The first episode of **O'Donnell Investigates ... Food** (BBC 2) explained "how easy it is to make mistakes with diet" – one of the larger mistakes, however, is to pay the kind of obsessive attention to it which programmes like this reflect.

It may be true that certain diseases are linked to "western food habits" but no doubt other diseases – those attendant upon anxiety or guilt, for example – will soon be associated with an excessive preoccupation with diet. The point is that dietary matters are ripe for exploitation by the pedagogue or the putative moralist, all of whose prescriptions should be taken with a pinch of salt (not *too much* salt, of course).

It was also suggested by Dr O'Donnell that "primitive man" had a low fat diet which the rest of us might envy but, since most people do not go around chasing bison with spears, that particular intake of food is only of academic significance – although I suppose that it could be marketed as the Nostalgia Diet.

In last night's programme, the second of the series, it was pointed out that the inhabitants of southern Italy are very healthy as well – unless, that is, the Mafia rather than the cholesterol kills them. There is always something to worry about, and there is always something detrimental to perfect health – but the concentration upon diet seems both tedious and in the end counter-productive, since eating habits are determined by appetites and desires rather than by surveys of what is "good for you".

Ancel Keys, a professor of medicine, has spent many years compiling just such a survey and, encouraged by the rather over-enthusiastic O'Donnell, explained that cholesterol in the western diet caused heart disease. This statement was illustrated by scenes from Finland, where it seems that the hills are alive with the sound of ambulances ferrying previously sturdy Finns to the emergency wards.

The professor was very scathing about those who questioned the results of his survey, although only last week an eminent heart specialist was apparently denying any causal link between cholesterol and the incidence of heart disease.

It is all very puzzling: equally puzzling, however, was the announcement that this series is part of a BBC "Food and Health Campaign". This is taking the role of "Aunty" too far

Peter Ackroyd

Promenade Concert

BBCSO/ Rands/Davies

Albert Hall/Radio 3

This was almost another all-American night at the Proms, since the Yorkshire-born composer Bernard Rands has now been living in California for a decade, and so is conceivably acclimatized enough to have his music presented in a programme of Ruggles, Copland and Gershwin. But one did not need to hear much of his piece to be made aware that he remains more an Italian than an American; or indeed an English, composer. Indeed, one did not need to hear any: the title *Canti lunatici* gave the game away.

The hints were fully borne out by the first of these "moon songs", scored for soprano and percussion, setting a tiny lyric by Quasimodo, and irresistibly recalling Berio's *Circles*. There was even a delicious moment of Berioesque flow from vocal into instrumental sound and back again as a muted trumpet covered the gap between the singer's short Italian "a" at the end of the Quasimodo and her short English "o" at the start of the succeeding Joyce poem. And of course the spilling about from one language to another – including also Lorca's oracular Spanish, Arp's naive-colourful German and Artaud's spitting French – is very much a feature of Berio's music too.

These things are obvious, and the marvel of Rands's piece is that he can draw so near to his mentor and not be burned. If his own personality is swamped by admiration, then we might wish other personalities so swamped: after all, the world is not yet quite so well stocked with real Berio that it can afford to ignore imitation of the highest quality. Nor does Rands forget, as Berio would not have forgotten, that there is a certain cycle of other lunatic ditties by Schoenberg. He has Blake's little description of the moon accompanied prominently by flutes, and refers again to the Schoenberg, within a quodlibet of other moon music, in his central song.

Linda Hirst gave a lustrous if slightly careful performance, and the BBC Symphony Orchestra flickered and swelled with colour under the composer's direction.

The rest of the concert was in the capable hands of Dennis Russell Davies, who drew out a hugely impressive performance of Ruggles's *Sun-treader*, storming proprietorially over territory claimed by Schoenberg and Varèse. In Gershwin's *An American in Paris* his neat beat seemed a trifle ironic, though the trumpet happily did not think so. Copland's Clarinet Concerto, was also fresh and elegant, with Michael Collins a dapper soloist.

Paul Griffiths

ENO's new *Orpheus in the Underworld* goes into preview tomorrow before its formal opening next Tuesday: **Mark Elder** and **David Pountney**, conductor and producer, talk to John Higgins about their first encounter with Offenbach

Devilishly saucy piece of musical archaeology



Photograph of Mark Elder (left) and David Pountney by John Voos

English National Opera are setting great store by their *Orpheus*, which was one of the victims of last season's economic cut-backs. Over two dozen performances are scheduled between now and Christmas, an exceptional number for any work in the repertoire. The reduced-price previews are an innovation for the Coliseum, although if they work it is a device that will surely be used again in the future. Several of the roles are double cast and two other conductors are lined up after Mark Elder has taken the opening performances. Another line-up is depicted outside the theatre in the poster by Gerald Scarfe, the operetta's designer: a row of plump devils, each with a top hat in the position the policeman's helmet was placed to cover the Twickenham streaker a few seasons back.

Is this then to be a saucy production?

ELDER: Let's just say that it is nineteenth-century Scarfe – the world according to Scarfe. The worst crime when performing Offenbach is to slip into the style of the English panto. Perhaps our *Orphée* will be a bit more risqué than others in the past: but that is pure supposition on my part because I have never seen it on stage.

Orpheus may be Offenbach's best-known operetta, but it also happens to be in its final version one of the longest. It was originally written for the Bouffes-Parisiens in two acts in 1858 and then expanded to four for the Théâtre de la Gaieté 16 years later. The plot is not exactly straightforward and the last act in particular takes a bit of disentangling. Why then has it been chosen in preference to *La Belle Hélène*, perhaps, or *La Vie Parisienne*, which Scottish Opera are staging tonight?

POUNTNEY: The first considerations were commercial. *Orpheus* was always the flagship of operetta in the Sadler's Wells days: it was the one the public always came to see. We are all too aware that there is a prejudice against operetta among the Coliseum audience, and that we have to break down. A highly polished production like *Patience*, for example, can play to only 50 per cent houses. *Orpheus* seemed to us the work most likely to break through.

However, I take your point about Act IV. The plot does take a little sorting out, so we've joined it to Act III to make things a bit easier. And in cutting the spoken dialogue to the bone we have also removed many of the references to unknown – and unknowable – characters of classical mythology.

Whose idea was it to engage Scarfe as the designer, and what effect has he had on the production?

POUNTNEY: I take responsibility for that. Some years ago while working at the Wexford Festival I opened a copy of the *Sunday Times* and saw an immense cartoon of *Walküre* by Gerald. That was the starting point. Through intermediaries I established that he was interested in designing for the stage and the rest followed. Influence? Well, the fact that he is using painted drop-cloths is a major decision for any producer to accept. I haven't worked with them since *Le Coq d'or* – but I suppose that might just have something in common with *Orpheus*.

Operettas tend to exist in many different versions, and piecing them together can take time. Has this caused trouble?

ELDER: Yes. Despite what you say it was a source of stupefaction to me when I started work on *Orpheus* to find there was no authentic score for so famous a piece. I had to delve through many corrupt versions: I've even had to do a little composing myself along the way.

But with the stupefaction comes the pleasure of discovering the sheer range of Offenbach's orchestration when that search reveals it. He is the master of the musical joke, a musical wit who can evoke the whole atmosphere of a giggle through the use of pizzicato or a touch from the percussion. He'll rarely write a repeat straight, but instead he will bring extra orchestral colours to the score the second time round.

We've drawn from both the original and final versions of *Orpheus*. We will not be using, for example, one of the familiar overtures of songs from the show but instead the prelude composed for the Bouffes-Parisiens. *Orpheus* opens in a suburban Arcadia so it should have an Arcadian prelude.

We're going to stress the *mélodrame*, the importance of spoken word on top of music. And there will be more ballet than might have been expected: two contrasting groups of dancers, black ones for Pluto's cohorts and nymphets for the numbers involving Cupid and Orpheus.

Despite the assorted range of gods – or perhaps because of them – in the cast-list of Offenbach's *opera-féerie* there is scarcely a sympathetic character on stage.

POUNTNEY: True. But their façades are quite charming. I want this to be a satirical evening, not a fol-de-rol affair. Gerald Scarfe will contribute to that approach, although he's also contributed towards the charm.

***Orpheus* is about people and things being not at all what they seem. It's also about chasing other men's wives. But then the French have always been more tolerant of sexual dishonesty, especially on stage, than the English.**

Mark Elder describes digging down into Offenbach as almost an archeological experience: the score has to be recreated like a half-remembered Broadway musical such as *On Your Toes*, but with no George Abbott on hand to help. So what sums up the Elder-Pountney approach?

ELDER: We hope we'll give Offenbach a spanking new look.

Spanking?

POUNTNEY: Yes. We have included just a little of that.

Theatre

Aunt Dan and Lemon

Royal Court

Newcomers to Calcutta, so I am told, are advised to ignore the beggars if they want to survive. This bit of advice is not to be found in Wallace Shawn's play, but the same thought runs throughout its kaleidoscopic sequence of scenes showing the fortunate of the earth enjoying their teas on the lawn and nights on the town at the expense of the unseen multitudes of the wretched of the earth.

The piece takes the loose form of a confessional narrative with flashback interruptions, taking you through the life of Lemon (alias Leonora), an ailing girl who grew up amid family strife in Oxford and has now retired into solitude surrounded by shelves stacked with fruit juice and books on the Nazis. It is the autobiography of a watcher.

The tensions of the play are implicit in her parentage: an English graduate mother and an American car factory executive. To the personal rows between these two are added the bitter public arguments aroused by "Aunt Dan" – an American academic with a fiery attachment to Henry Kissinger, whom she sees as a saint-like figure who takes the burden of the West on his back, allowing its citizens to sleep easy in their beds and load him with their ungrateful criticism.

Dan is played by Linda Hunt, a tiny simian figure in many-hued culottes, who repeatedly embarks on her hero's defence with sledge-hammer logic and then – encountering only well-mannered British evasions from her opponent – rises to a pitch of revengeful denunciation that marks her as round the bend. To the watching Lemon, however, Dan's word is law.

There is another side to Dan: as an intimate of a semi-criminal circle, one of whose members – an irresistible good-time girl called Mindy (Lynsey Baxter) – takes on a commission to lure a Latin-American hoodlum to her bedroom and strangle him in the stockings he has voluptuously removed. Dan and Lemon appear as watchers of this memory scene, as spellbound by it as the voyeurs out front. And its purpose becomes clear towards the end when Lemon, having cleared all living human beings out of her life, proceeds to expound her philosophy: namely that killing is an ingrained human instinct, that compassion is a hypocritical lie fostered by people who have never had to defend themselves, and that the Nazis on the whole had the right idea.

The ingenuity of the play is that this could well appear Mr Shawn's own conclusion, as Lemon is presented as a gentle girl played by Kathryn Pogson with a winning invalid smile and a wish to present harsh truths as modestly and unemphatically as possible. What also emerges in Max Stafford-Clark's production is that she is as dramatized a figure as any of the luridly drawn earlier characters. She tells us at the outset that she is recalling "not things I did, but things I was told".

And what you receive from her narrative is an all too accurate study of how the ground for atrocity can be prepared by opinions and myths picked up in childhood. The sickly Lemon, of course, would be one of the first for the ovens in the kind of society she admires. She does not mention this. But, when her adored companion lies dying, she feels only the same disgust that she felt for a squashed cockroach.

The production throughout is as cool and precise as its central character: and invites you to think for yourself as she does not.

Irving Wardle

Rock

Einsturzende Neubaten

Heaven

The first visitors to the garish Heaven club on Monday night were GLC safety inspectors, alerted perhaps by reports of Einsturzende Neubaten's previous London performance in January 1984 when, wielding cement-breakers, chainsaws and pneumatic drills, the experimentalist Berliners set about demolishing the foundations of the ICA stage. However, no such literal enactment of their name ("Collapsing New Buildings") was in the offing on this occasion.

With gleeful indifference to conventional norms of melody or timekeeping the five players juggled with a variety of makeshift "instruments" culled from the scrapyard of an industrial society that they have plainly rejected. Two huge springs stretched across a U-frame, an enormous sheet of metal strung up at the back, a pile of cans, shards of waste metal, a beer barrel and a shopping trolley were all struck or smashed, and amplified through the PA to a colossal level of volume.

Marc Chung used a bass guitar to hint at certain melodic structures, but Alexander von Borsig's guitar was primarily employed as an adjunct to the mounting din of percussion as its deranged-looking owner repeatedly smashed its neck and body against the PA speakers, flanked at the side of the stage by bemused, deafened security men, vainly attempting to conceal their unease.

Picking his way about the debris, the spindly leather-clad figure of Blixa Bargeld presided over the unholy cacophony, his ululating vocals and staring, vacant eyes an embodiment of radically disaffected *Weltanschauung*.

On one level the performance was pure nonsense, but the brute physicality of the act, combined with the Teutonic application to the creation of such a malevolent noise, exercised a beguiling effect. The undercurrent of violence was entirely convincing and the blowing of the PA fuse (twice) seemed indicative of the air of nervous unpredictability that the performance generated. Dull it was not.

David Sinclair

Just a Verse and Chorus

Churchill, Bromley

This sodden summer makes a fitting backdrop for any end-of-the-pier show; seldom can jaunty pierrots have chirrupped "Lordy send us the sun" with more heartfelt fervour. This company of five, headed by Roy Hudd and Billy Dainty, brighten the gloom of Bromley with a bewildering perkiness compounded of song, dance, teeth and smiles. Gracious, how gamely they display their dentition.

Here is a chronologically arranged celebration of the famous and much-loved songs of the two-man music factory known as R. P. Weston and Bert Lee, who in the space of 21 years' partnership ("A Song a Day") gave the world 3,000 songs, including such vastly popular works as "When Father Papered the Parlour", "What a Mouth!", "Enery the Eighth", "Joshua (Nicer than Lemon Squash You Are)", "Why Does a Winkle Always Turn to the Right?" and "My Word, You Do Look Queer".

These are, if anything, songs to be sung *en masse*, and many of the older members of the first-night audience made a brave go of remembering both lyric and melody, being helped at one point by the descent from the flies of a large banner bearing the words of "A Proper Cup of Coffee" while Caro Gurney in Principal Boy costume and Graham Hoadly in full Ugly Sister drag urged on their efforts to some little effect.

Elsewhere, the disposable stage humour of the period was enthusiastically rendered by the male leads impersonating the celebrated composers in vignettes from their joint career.

It is not hard to watch two old troupers of this calibre trying to make each other corpse (and frequently succeeding), while Mr Hudd was surely born to play a ventriloquist's dummy sitting with uncanny woodenness on Mr Dainty's left knee to sing "The Gizzy Gungle Gee" through a distended horizontal mouth. Mr Hudd also shows what he can do with barbed sentimentality in his solo "Brown Boots (I Ask Yer)".

The First World War inspired Messrs Weston and Lee to write the unofficial anthem "Good-bye-ee!" as well as the *slightly* anti-authoritarian "He's Got to Go", in which a shirker tries to evade military induction by telling the tribunal that his age is being read upside down, that he is 91 and not 19.

Now, as every victim of Whitehall farce knows, "19" on a hotel key leads inevitably to room 61, not room 91. How odd. How wonderfully innocent.

Martin Cropper

Heartbreak House

Citizens', Glasgow

Bitter-sweet twilight music weaves its way round the opening of this production to define the mood of what is to come. Published in 1919, this is one of Shaw's strangest plays, drawing on house-party, sentimental comedy and Chekhov (all with self-conscious irony) to evoke the mood of "Heartbreak House", the Europe that produced the war. The exasperated, though not malevolent, picture he presents is of a moribund over-cultured society, a society without spiritual direction working its way into a frantic love-death wish. The comic social sparrings and abortive affairs between the guests at Heartbreak House are gradually infused with apocalyptic foreboding.

This atmosphere is beautifully caught in Philip Prowe's set, ironic and symbolic as the play itself: the house is suggested in an elegant English garden, and suspended deep over the stage are masses of autumn leaves, red and black, hanging heavy like falling poppy-petals to give a marvellous sense of hypnotic, suffocating beauty and impending doom.

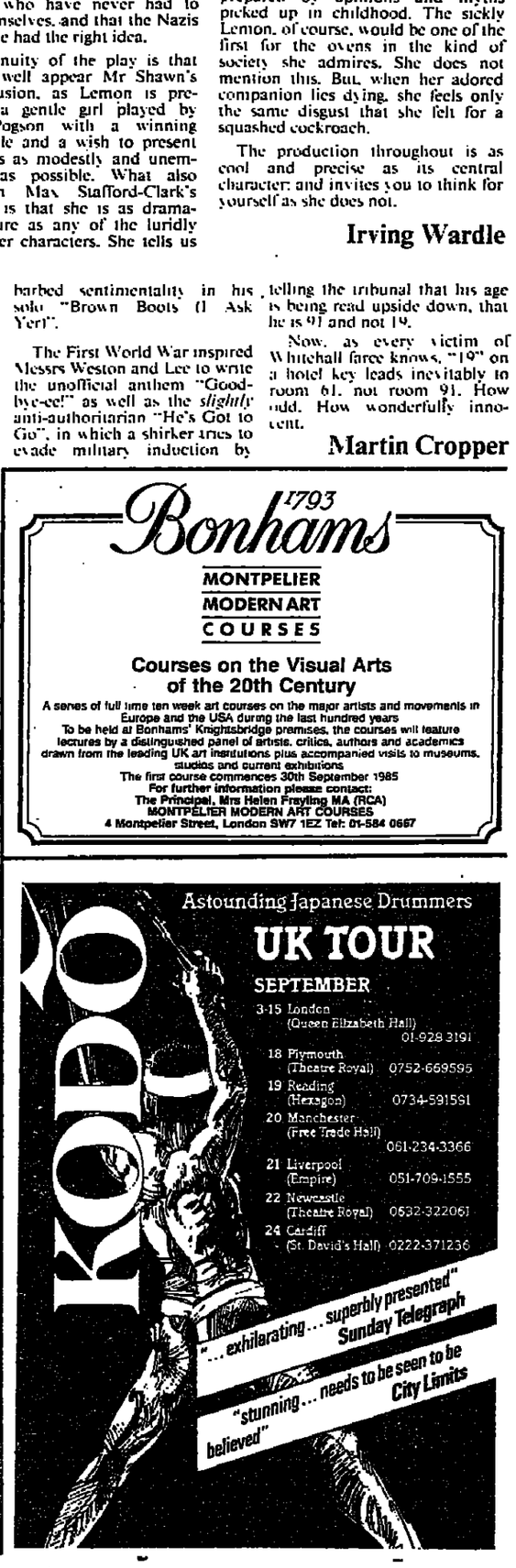
Beneath these the characters move (oblivious to the soldiers that Prowse sends across the stage occasionally to push the point home), centering around the daughters of the house, the matriarchal but seductive Hesione (Jill Spurrier) and the authoritative but alluring Ariadne (Jane Bertish). Calculating, but not cruel, they dominate the men who each represents some limited outlook – from Mangan the capitalist, played with ham-fisted belligerence by Patrick Hannaway, to Dunn the intellectual (a marvellously moth-eaten ostrich from Giles Havergal), from the lounge-lizard Randall, played with comic, puppyish petulance by Rupert Everett, to Hector the débonair but ambivalent romantic.

There are problems though in the very nature of the play in that it has no clear centre or direction, only a vague, abstract drift downwards – even Captain Shotover (played by Robert David MacDonald as more melancholy than visionary) withdraws from action despite his talk of "navigation". In Prowse's hypnotic production it practically stands still at times, really becoming too unspoken. The only energy possible lies in the individual scenes of confrontation, the wit and the humour of these pulling against the mood evoked; and, while the production exploits this difficult tension in some scenes, in others the acting is either so lethargic or so wooden that the sparks disappear completely. It is then an uneven production, the comedy very unsatisfying in places, but overall what it certainly does achieve is a tremendous, unsettling feeling of bored society drifting unwittingly towards the excitement of the apocalypse.

Sarah Hemming



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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

The changing face of Trade and Industry

One interpretation of Leon Brittan's posting to the Department of Trade and Industry is that it reflects the Prime Minister's determination to keep the execution of economic policy in the safe hands of two members of her trusted gang of four. Like the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who, of course, remains firmly in his place, Mr Brittan can be relied on to adhere to orthodoxy.

This interpretation needs some qualification. With the elevation of Lord Young and the aggrandisement of the Department of Employment partly at the expense of the DTI, there are no longer two economic ministries but three. Furthermore, the emphasis now put on job creation and the reduction of unemployment positively demands that Lord Young steps outside the confines of Thatcherism as it is understood.

He may be thwarted by other more expert than he in politics and the machinery of government, but he starts out with two formidable assets: Mrs Thatcher's blessing and the relatively short time between now and the next General Election.

While waiting for Lord Young to unfold, Mrs Thatcher yesterday dipped into neurophysiology to describe her new Secretary of State for Trade and Industry as "a first-class brain". The fact remains that in such a megalithic department Mr Brittan's piercing intellect will be unavoidably constrained by the way in whih he uses the manpower at his disposal.

The department employs more than 12,000 civil servants, headed by two permanent secretaries representing the formerly separate fiefs of trade and industry. At the political level there were no fewer than eight ministers until Monday's reshuffle, though it appears that number is reduced to seven with the transfer of David Trippier and his small firms unit to Employment.

Subject to Mrs Thatcher's agreement, it will be open to Mr Brittan to have a mini-reshuffle of his own. But it is hard to see much point in moving the key ministers of state. Sir Paul Channon and Geoffrey Pattie are already in place, with responsibilities for trade and information technology respectively. It is less than a year since Mr Pattie replaced the upwardly mobile Kenneth Baker, now ensconced in the Cabinet.

The newcomer at this level, Peter Morrison, has spent the past four years at Employment, specializing in industrial training. He picks up the industry brief from the transferred Norman Lamont, whom Mrs Thatcher considerably thought needed experience in the art of defence. It would make sense for Mr Morrison to continue in that capacity and cement the operational links with his old department.

Below these three are the under secretaries of state, known euphemistically as junior ministers. Mr Trippier was in this group, along with John Butcher, who was recruited in 1983 to revitalize the West Midlands, and Lord Lucas, who is best known for his hurriedly-retracted remark in June that GEC should merge with Plessey.

The fourth under secretary was Alex Fletcher, who was in the throes of ushering the Financial Services Bill which covers the future regulation of the City. He was energetic but possibly a shade too straightforward for such a subtle area. He appears to have paid the penalty for the Tory Lords' rebellion over the Insolvency Bill. Bad luck.

His apparent replacement is Michael Howard QC, like Mr Brittan a member of the Inner Temple. His legal mind may be better suited to spotting and blocking loophopes in the financial services legislation, not to mention the political pitfalls that will undoubtedly accompany its passage through Parliament, and the fall-out from the Act when it began to operate.

Sense of adventure at Kleinwort Benson

Michael Hawkes, chairman of Kleinwort Benson, estimates that KB remains the largest merchant bank in the City. Others may quibble with some of Mr Hawkes's criteria, but his statement about the first six months' trading in 1985 carries the stamp of a market leader.

This is the first time that Kleinwort Benson has produced interim figures. The concept is so new that the bank has no comparable half-time figures from 1984 to set against this year's trading. With hindsight, KB have wished it had been less keen to expose its inner working, since the interim figures contain, on the face of it, a nasty £4 million downturn into losses in the US band trading operation.

According to Mr Hawkes, this is not so. In April, two clients of Kleinwort's newly acquired US bond trading operation, Accli Government Securities, got into difficulties. Although Kleinwort held securities against the clients' losses, the management committee decided to overhaul the US bond dealing operation.

The bank has benefited from this in-depth scrutiny. Mr Hawkes maintains that Kleinwort now knows far more about how the US side ticks, knowledge which in turn has left it better prepared to set up a 24-hour dealing desk in securities, after "Big Bang", in London, New York and – licence permitting – Tokyo.

This augurs well for Kleinwort, post Big Bang. The divisional breakdown which accompanies the interim figures suggests that other parts of the bank can do just as well, if not better.

Disclosed merchant banking profits come to £31 million compared with £41.6 million for the whole of 1984, when government fees for the successful flotation of British Telecom swelled the coffers.

Kleinwort's sense of adventure seems to be growing. Acknowledged as a market leader in interest rate swaps, the bank is making rapid progress among US corporate clients, where banking profits have shown a marked increase. In Europe and the Far East it has also done well. Bullion broking and investment management activities produced steady profits.

On this showing, Kleinwort may well keep its independence and avoid formal links with larger banking groups. Historic merchant banking may actually be coming back into its own.

Keeping Telecom off the hook

Who judges the judges? For the first time, in the case of the still monopolistic but now privatized British Telecom, it is the 1.7 million shareholders/consumers of whom an estimted 10,000 or so will gather at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham today for the company's inaugural annual meeting.

It will be a testing time, not just for the vast majority of private individuals exposed to the formalities of a company meeting for the first time but also for the chairman of British Telecom, Sir George Jefferson. His new army of shareholders will no doubt focus on the services provided by BT. His fate will be to hear the familiar grouses about the frequency of wrong numbers, delays in installing lines, the inadequacy and vandalizing of public phones, etc, etc, complaints about the allocation of shares in the public offering and requests for information about the alleged multiple applications, will also be heard. A word or two on this front would not go amiss.

At an altogether different level, Sir George will equally be aware that within the city he is expected to achieve his ambition to turn BT into a world class information technology business. At first BT was adopted by many as a safe, dependable stock – "an index linked gilt" according to one firm of brokers. But as BT treads its chosen path of diversification, attitudes have changed. So also has the size of the task.

Already, one move, the acquisition of the Canadian telephone exchange manufacturer, Mitel, has been frustrated by the intervention of the Monoplies Commission, after fierce lobbying by GEC and Plessey, anxious to safeguard their own position as suppliers. So too, has the projected link with IBM.

Pound loses 1.17 cents as US economic hopes lift dollar

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

The dollar continued its recovery yesterday, helped by figures suggesting a stronger performance for the American economy. The pound, while holding up against the European currencies, fell by over a cent against the dollar and appears to have lost momentum.

Dealers do not expect any pressure for further base rate cuts in Britain until around the time of the Conservative Party conference next month.

The pound fell by 1.17 cents to $1.3705 against the dollar, its index against the major trading partners dipping 0.3 to 82.

Sterling's fall mirrored the dollar's rise. The dollar gained another two pfennings against the mark, closing at DM2.852 in London. Later in New York it was quoted at DM2.855, with the pound at $1.37.

The dollar started to gain ground at the end of last week, with the publication of better-than-expected figures for the American trade balance and leading indicators for the economy. With US market closed for the Labour Day holiday on Monday, there was some nervousness about whether the rise would be sustained yesterday.

However, the July construction spending figures were rather higher than the markets had expected and helped to reinforce a market view that the US economy is on the up.

Construction spending rose by 1.2 per cent in July, after a revised 0.6 per cent fall in June. Washington had earlier estimated a 0.7 per cent rise in June. Spending in July was 9.5 per cent above the level in the corresponding month last year.

There was a rise in both public and private construction spending, the Commerce Department said.

Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves were unchanged last month. At the end of the month, reserves stood at $14,256 million (£10,208 million). With the pound generally steady, the British authorities would have had little reason to enter the currency markets.

After taking account of foreign currency borrowing and repayments, there was an underlying fall of $36 million in the reserves. Accruals of borrowing under the exchange cover scheme amounted to $63 million, repayments $22 million. The pound stood at $1.416 to the dollar at the end of July, and $1.3965 at the end of August.

United States unemployment figures for August are due on Friday, but foreign exchange interest is likely to centre on the flash United States gross national product figures for the third quarter, due on September 20.

Despite the dollar's gains of the past few days, dealers are not yet convinced that it has broken out of the pattern where steep declines are followed by short periods of consolidation and recovery.

Recent stronger United States statistics have not removed doubts about the American economy's ability to stage a second-half recovery.

IOD urges full British membership of EMS

By Our Economics Correspondent

The Institute of Directors wants Britain to become a full member of the European Monetary System. The Confederation of British Industry already declared its support for full EMS membership in February.

In a letter to Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Hoskyns, the IOD's director-general, said there are strong political, commercial and financial reasons for joining the EMS exchange rate mechanism.

Sir John warned that full EMS membership would be "no soft option" for Britain and could involve higher and more volatile interest rates. However, against this can be set the advantages to business of the development of the European Currecy Unit and of operating within a more stable currency framework.

The British Treasury would probably not oppose entry and the Foreign Office is in favour, but the Prime Minister is understood to be holding out for political reasons.

Two resign in Bluemel dispute

By Our City Staff

Two directors of Bluemel Bros including the chairman, Mr Ronnie Aitken, have resigned after a boardroom row over how to restore the bicycle accessory manufacturer to financial health.

A question mark has hung over the Coventry company since it called in receivers to its main factory at Wolston two months ago.

Dealings in the company's shares were yesterday suspended at 6.5p, valuing the company at £1.6 million.

Bluemel said it had requested the suspension "pending clarification of the company's financial position", and that Mr Ronnie Aitken and Mr Sid Kite had resigned from the seven-man board.

Mr Bijam Sedgi, a Birmingham solicitor, has been appointed non-executive chairman in Mr Aitken's place, and this paved the way for "positive steps to be taken to further rationalize the company's affairs," Bluemel added.

Mr Aitken, the company doctor brought in to restore the company's fortunes two years ago, last night said he had devised a plan which provided a solution to the company's problems but he had not been allowed to put it to the board.

"I think they just got fed up with me in the end and, frankly, I was fairly fed up with them," Mr Aitken said.

His plan involved the sale of one business to reduce the group's bank debt, and the purchase of a large privately-owned company for shares.

Saxon fails to gain 50% support

By Ian Griffiths

The battle for Saxon Oil moved into its second phase last night after its shareholders failed to give the necessary support to clinch the company's merger with Charterhouse Petroleum.

By 3pm yesterday shareholders representing 38.13 per cent of Saxon's capital had accepted the merger terms still short of the 50 per cent target which would have scaled the merger.

Nearly 80 per cent of Charterhouse's share capital has been committed to the merger. The merger offer has been extended again until next Tuesday.

The way is now clear for shareholders to withdraw their acceptances of the merger and consider instead a rival cash bid from Enterprise Oil, which values Saxon at £120.6 million.

Until yesterday this had not been allowed even though some shareholders had given their acceptances before they knew of Enterprise's interest in Saxon.

More shoppers pay by card

By Patience Wheatcroft

Consumer borrowing is heading for record levels as more shoppers pay by credit card.

Figures from the Department of Trade and Industry show that finance houses and retailers advanced £1,126 million of new credit in July, well up on the preceding few months and close to January's peak of £1,168 million.

But the new figures exclude the hugely successful new Marks and Spencer chargecard which was launched in April and already has 650,000 accounts.

Retailers believe that in the run up to what promises to be a bumper Christmas, credit sales will escalate. Mr Peter Hartley, finance director of J Hepworth & Sons' credit card comany, Club 24, says that in the year to the end of August it increased its number of accounts by 28 per cent.

Club 24 operates cards for the flourishing Next fashion business, where new stores generate new credit accounts, but it has other established retail clients who are seeing their credit sales soar.

Dixons and Texas Homecare, for instance, both increased their number of credit accounts by a quarter over the year.

This is also the experience of the Debenham's subsidiary, Welbeck Finance where the joint managing director, Mr Michael Bliss, said that new account openings were running one third ahead of last year.

Mr Michael Blackburn, the chief executive of Access, said that his number of account holders increased by 6.4 per cent to 8.1 million in the seven months to the end of July and that there has been a "marginal" increase in the amount of credit which customers were using.

This view was echoed by Barclays, which said one third of its card-holders still pay off the entire account each month, but its applications for new cards was 38 per cent up on last year.

Marks and Spencer will not say how much money is actually being borrowed on its Chargecard. "The pattern is still emerging," said Mr Michael Colville, who is running the operation.

South African oil stocks 'could last to 1990s'

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

International oil analysts who have been reviewing South Africa's energy demands believe that, even with a strict embargo on oil sales, current stocks could last until the 1990s if a rationing system is introduced.

Despite an official ban on sales to South Africa by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) many of its members have been selling oil to the Republic via traders on the spot markets.

South Africa is believed to be sitting on an oil stockpile which could last for three years at normal consumption rates, and more than twice that if rationing was adopted.

The Republic is also still receiving supplies bought for it on the spot market by traders – avoiding Opec embarassment by being seen to make direct sales – and conservation measures introduced over the past five years have cut annual consumption to less than 20 per cent of the country's total energy demand.

Coal provides most of the country's electricity, and oil use is largely limited to road, air and rail transport.

Although the cost of oil imports had risen by almost half in the past few months as the rand-dollar rate has changed, cargoes are still coming in with deliveries totalling more tha 300,000 barrels a day.

Petroleum Intelligence Weekly has estimated that South Africa is also producing between 70,000 and 100,000 barrels a day of oil from coal in its synthetic fuel plants. With daily demand running at 350,000 barrels a day, the surplus is being diverted to stocks which are the biggest in the world after those of the United States.

In addition, two new synthetic fuel plants are about to be given final government approval.

Profits and output up at Lasmo

By Our Energy Correspondent

London & Scottish Marine Oil, one of Britain's leading independent oil companies, yesterday reported increased half-year profits and a 40 per cent rise in the amount of oil that it is now producing.

Better-than-expected output from its two main North Sea oil fields, Beatrice and Ninian, improved results from Canada, where 67 wells have been drilled in the first half of this year with 46 finding oil, and increased oil output from Indonesia, have helped to boost profits.

After-tax profits of £16.7 million are 27 per cent up on the 1984 interim figures of £13.2 million, although pretax profits rose by 33 per cent.

Lasmo is also widely expected to announce a big discovery off the Gabon coast

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Euro chip venture seeks £47m

By Jeremy Warner

Funding of $65 million (£47.2 million) is being sought from institutional and industrial investors for a new all-European micro chip company with operations in Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Sweden.

The planned company, European Silicon Structures (ES2), will be chaired jointly by Dr Rob Wilmot, from Britain, chairman of ICL, and Dr Robert Heikes, from France, until recently managing director of National Semiconductor in Europe.

Six venture capital firms have put up initial capital of $4 million and ES2 hopes to receive firm commitments for the rest next month.

Dr Wilmot, who is on a European tour to present the plans to potential investors, says the response has so far been overwelming

ES2 plans to exploit the emerging market for low-volume custom made chips. There has always been a strong demand for these in Europe but appropriate design and manufacturing techniques have become available only recently.

Banks head for Gibraltar

Lloyds Bank and Hambros Bank were yesteday granted Class A licenses which will allow them to open domestic branches in Gibraltar.

The Gibraltar Government which granted the licenses, requires a minimum capital reserve of £1 million.

Hambros is now well established in Gibraltar as an offshore banking service directed at customers from the Costa del Sol in Spain. It hopes to open its new service in the New Year.

Lloyds could open sooner,

IN BRIEF

Boost for Bowater

Shares in Bowater Industries, the paper group, soared on the stock exchange yesterday after the company announced that Hanson Trust had increased its stake from 7 per cent to 8 since July.

There was immediate speculation that Bowater would be the next British takeover target for Hanson, which is involved in a contested bid for SCM Corporation, the US-based Smith-Corona typewriter group.

Mr Martin Taylor, a director of Hanson, insisted, however, that it was still appropriate to describe his group's holding in Bowater as "an investment". This situation had not changed since July, he added.

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Shares sold

Thermal Scientific's rights issue of 2.75 million shares has attracted acceptances for 2.68 million shares (approximately 97.5 per cent). The remaining 68,871 shares have been sold in the market for an average 38.36p each.

Reed International has revealed that it is paying $90 million (£64 million) for the United States publishing company, RR Bowker. It announced in June that it was to buy the company from Xerox Corporation, which had been negotiating with International Thomson Organisation.

Brammer ahead

Engineering group Brammer raised pretax profits 20 per cent in the first half of the year to £5.7 million. The interim dividend goes up from 2.5p a share to 4.5p. **Tempus, page 19**

Saudi fall

Saudi Arabia's crude oil production fell to a 20-year low last month, averaging between 1.9 million and 2.2 million barrels a day, as its customers switched to the cheaper spot market.

Profit slips

Metal Closures the packaging group, announced a slide in pretax profit during the half year to the end of June to £2.309 million against £3.437 million during the same period last year.

The company said the fall in the value of the South African rand, coupled with a downturn on that country's economy, had hit profit to the tune of about £1 million.

Exco up £17m

Mr John Gunn, chief executive of Exco International, yesterday announced half-year pretax profits of £49.4 million against £32.4 million, including a £2 million currency gain. Turnover was up from £84.9 million to £128.9 million. The interim dividend rises from 1.4p to 1.6p.

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Brazilian cuts

Brazil plans immediately to introduce a new series of cuts public spening totalling 5,000 billion Cruzeiros, resulting in the issue of government paper worth 4,000 billion Cruzeiros during September rather than 9,000 billion as previously envisaged, finance ministry sources said.

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FT Govt Securities	83.39 (+0.02)
FT-SE 100	1335.4 (–4.8)
Datastream USM	105.61 (–0.24)
New York	
Dow Jones	1332.20 (–1.79)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	1230.96 (–95.68)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1566.22 (–29.95)
Amsterdam:	223.0 (–)
Sydney: AO	937.3 (+0.1)
Amsterdam	223.0 (+1.1)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1475.8 (+10.8)
Brussels:	
General	399.20 (+9.57)
Paris: CAC	223.0 (–)

GOLD

London fixing:
am $332.70pm-$328.20
close $328.25-$328.75 (£239.50-£240.00
New York:
Comex $328.30

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:

Pineapple Dance	38 +7
Raglan Property	9.25 +1.5
V W Thermax	70 +10
Fenner, J H	140 +18
Monument Oil & Gas	18 +2
Selectv	9 +1
Humberside Eltn	11 +1
Desoutter Bros	195 +17
KCA Drilling Gp	42 +3
British Benzol	14.5 +1
Mitchell, Somers	73 +5
Zygal Dynamics	30 +2
Bailey, C H	16 +1
Protimeter	32 +2
Warnford Invs	495 +30

FALLS:

Memcom Intl	110 –90
Barbican	3.25 –0.5
Ldn & Os Frghtrs	1.75 –0.25
East Rand Cons	33 –3
Acorn Comp	97 –8
Bulgin, A F 'A'	12.5 –1
BICC	200 –18
Ferranti	110 –8
Sound Diffusion	56 –4
Radio City A Nv	28 –2

CURRENCIES

London:
£: $1.3705 (–0.0117)
£: DM 3.9121 (–0.0027)
£: SwFr 3.2204 (–0.0045)
£: FFr 11.9414(–0.0133)
£: Yen 328.22 (–1.21)
£ Index: 82.0 (–0.3)
New York:
£: $1.3700
$: DM 2.8550
$ Index: 139.1 (+0.7)
ECU £0.570657
SDR £0.739543

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 11½%
3-month Interbank $11^{11}/_{16}$-$11^{13}/_{16}$%
3-month eligible bills buying rate $11^{3}/_{32}$-$11^{1}/_{32}$%
US:
Prime Rate 9.50%
Federal Funds $8^{3}/_{16}$% 3-month Treasury Bills 7.12-7.10%
Long bond yield $101^{13}/_{32}$-$101^{15}/_{32}$

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£75,000,000
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4 September 1985

Bankers cautious on Pretoria measures

By Michael Prest, Financial Correspondent

South Africa's emergency financial measures, taken over the weekend, have provoked speculation among bankers and stockbrokers over whether Pretoria wants to use its four-month unilateral debt moratorium as a breathing space for discussions on the country's long-term financial future or whether it hopes to resume busines as usual in January.

While details of the measures remain unclear, City sources are reacting cautiously to the re-imposition of a two-tier exchange rate and the moratorium on repayments of principal on short-term debts.

But it has emerged that the British banks, with Swiss and German counterparts, were reluctant to ignore South Africa's request last week for financial assistance. The pressure seems to have brought on South Africa by leading American banks.

British bankers stressed that their short-term lending to South Africa represented only a tiny proportion of their total lending. In all cases it is believed to be less than 0.75 per cent of the total.

Nevertheless, the stock market took a less sanguine view. The share prices of Barclays and Standard Chartered, the two British banks most heavily involved in South Africa, fell sharply.

Behind the market's reaction was the fear that four months might not be enough for South Africa and the banks to patch up their relations.

An important indication of how the South African moves have affected foreign confidence will be the reaction of American investors in South African gold mines. They hold about 30 per cent of all shares in these companies.

It is assumed in the City that the debt moratorium affects mainly short-term lending by foreign banks to South African banks.

Other kinds of lending are not covered by the suspension of principal repayments and the South African government has stressed that interest payments on all debt will continue.

South Africa owes about $19 billion (£13 billion) to foreign banks, of which $12 billion is due for repayment within 12 months. The amount of lending made through London, but not necessarily by British banks, is put at $5 billion.

So far the investors in American mutual gold funds have been subjected to conflicting pressures. On the one hand, the gold price fell by $6.25 yesterday to $328.50, chiefly because the dollar had a good day.

But on the other hand, the fund managers remain bullish, and their optimism appears to have been borne out by the fading miners' strike in South Africa. Brokers said that in any case it was early for gold fund redemptions to be become obvious.

Yet the pressure on South Africa is still evident. The commercial rand yesterday slipped below the 45 per cent rate at which it was fixed by the Reserve Bank.

Reports persist that South African companies and banks are in difficulties over their dollar borrowings.

WALL STREET

Dow slips in dull trade

New York (Agencies) – The New York Stock Exchange had a modest loss at mid-morning with little fresh news to stimulate buyers after the three-day weekend.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down three points to 1,331. Declines led advances by a seven-four margin on turnover of 17.41 million shares.

Atlantic Richfield led the actives, down ½ to 60⅝. SCM corporation was up 2 to 69. The company is planning a leveraged buyout at $70 per share.

Airline issues were lower. NWA, which gained 5⅛ last week on takeover speculation, was down 1½ to 58.

VAL was down 1⅝ to 53⅜, and Delta fell ¾ to 45⅛.

IBM was up ¾ to 127⅜ and Burroughs up ¼ to 64⅞.

● Corestates Financial Corporation said its majority-owned Congress Financial Corporation subsidiary had reached a definitive agreement to acquire James Talcott, a factoring and commercial finance firm, from Lloyds Bank on undisclosed terms.

● Prices of US government notes and bonds were narrowly mixed in hesitant early dealings, despite news of a weak August purchasing managers' survey and a report that Saudi Arabia has agreed to sell oil at market-related prices.

COMMODITIES

Robusta coffee futures continued to ease yesterday by £6 to £17 a tonne, depressed by the liklihood of further heavy tendering. Cocoa futures were £5 to £12 a tonne up.

Higher grade zinc continued to rise in mostly quiet dealings.

Representatives of Santos, coffee exporters will meet Brazilian Coffee Institute president, Señor Carlos Alberto Barbosa in Rio De Janeiro to press for the abolition of the retention system.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
Rubber in p per kilo; Soyabean meal, coffee and cocoa in £ per tonne; Gas-oil and sugar in US $ per tonne.
G W Joynson and Co report

RUBBER

Oct	650 Seller
Nov	650 Seller
Dec	650 Seller
Jan	Unquoted
Feb	Unquoted
Mar	Unquoted
Apr	Unquoted
May	Unquoted
Jun	Unquoted
Oct/Dec	650 Seller
Jan/Mar	Unquoted
Apl/Jun	Unquoted

SUGAR
(Raw)
(No. 5 at 16.25)

Oct	Unquoted
Dec	Unquoted
Mar	Unquoted
May	Unquoted
Aug	Unquoted
Oct	Unquoted
Dec	Unquoted
Vol	Nil

SUGAR
(White)
(No. 6 at 18.40)

Oct	134.8–134.0
Dec	139.0–138.0
Mar	144.8–144.4
May	147.8–147.4
Aug	153.6–153.0
Oct	158.0–157.5
Vol	1993

COCOA

Sept	1714–1712
Dec	1741–1740
Mar	1761–1760
May	1777–1776
July	1788–1795
Sep	1805–1800
Dec	1803–1801
Vol	230/2410

COFFEE

Sep	1820–1810
Nov	1646–1640
Jan	1684–1681
Mar	1719–1715
May	1748–1745
Jul	1785–1770
Sep	1800–1775
Vol	247/2874

SOYABEAN

Oct	118.8–118.5
Dec	119.2–118.8
Feb	122.5–122.0
Apr	123.4–122.3
Jun	124.0–123.3
Aug	128.8–125.0
Oct	129.0–125.5
Vol	245

GAS OIL

Sep	252.50–252.25
Oct	247.50–247.25
Nov	244.50–244.25
Dec	243.25–243.00
Jan	242.25–242.00
Feb	240.00–239.00
Mar	235.00–233.00
Apr	228.50–228.25
May	230.00–214.00
Vol	1640

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices
Official turnover figures
Prices in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE

Cash	1037.0-1037.50
Three months	984.0-985.0
Vol	16400
Tone	Barely steady

STANDARD CATHODES

Cash	984.0-985.0
Three months	1013.0-1014.0
Vol	Nil
Tone	kdle

TIN STANDARD

Cash	9085-9087
Three months	9051-9052
Vol	720
Tone	Steady

TIN HIGH-GRADE

Cash	9085-9087
Three months	9051-9053
Vol	Nil
Tone	kdle

LEAD

Cash	30150-302.0
Three months	301.25-301.75
Vol	1400
Tone	Steady

ZINC STANDARD

Cash	515.0-517.0
Three months	dsleted
Vol	25
Tone	Quiet

ZINC HIGH GRADE

Cash	527.50-528.50
Three months	538.50-534.0
Vol	2350
Tone	Steadier

SILVER LARGE

Cash	447.5-448.5
Three months	460.0-461.0
Vol	Nil
Tone	kdle

SILVER SMALL

Cash	447.5-448.5
Three months	460.0-461.0
Vol	idle
Tone	Nil

ALUMINIUM

Cash	734.0-735.0
Three months	757.0-757.50
Vol	7450
Tone	Firmer

NICKEL

Cash	734.0-735.0
Three months	757.0-757.50
Vol	312
Tone	Steadier

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on September 3
GB: Cattle, 94.47p per kg lw (+0.29).
GB: Sheep, 145.61p per kg est d c w (-2.58).
GB: Pigs, 79.33p per kg lw (%3.23).
England and Wales:
Cattle nos. up 18.3 per cent, ave. price, 93.46p (-0.09).
Sheep nos. up 12.5 per cent, ave. price, 147.36p (-2.95).
Pig nos. down 13.7 per cent, ave. price, 79.25p (%3.30).
Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 81.6 per cent, ave. price, 97.12p (+0.36).
Sheep nos. up 71.1 per cent, ave. price, 139.75p (-0.10).
Pig nos. up 243.8 per cent, ave. price, 79.89p (-1.11).

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
Sep	£101.55	£101.85
Nov	£103.80	£104.80
Jan	£107.45	£108.20
Mar	£110.30	£111.30
May	£113.70	£114.00
Jul	£116.45	

Volume:
Wheat 367
Barley 188

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Live Pig Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
Sep	100.0	100.0
Oct	107.5	107.5
Nov	109.3	109.3
Jan	97.0	97.0
Feb	97.5	97.5
Mar	0	0
Apr	98.0	98.0
May	0	0
Jun	97.0	97.0
Jul	0	0
Aug	97.5	97.5
Vol. 0		

Pig meat
p. per kilo Month

	Open	Close
Oct	112.6	112.8
Nov	113.7	113.7
Feb	101.9	101.7
Apr	102.6	102.8
Jun	101.5	101.9
Aug	100.3	100.5
		Vol. 53

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	61.00	60.00
Feb	72.00	69.00
Apr	86.00	82.70
May	90.80	88.10
		Vol. 175

BALTIC FREIGHT INDEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report
$10 per index point

	High/Low	Close
Oct 85	830.0-808.0	809.0
Jan 86	860.0-858.0	870.0
Apr 86	—	915.0
Jul 86	—	945.0
Oct 86	—	980.0
Jan 87	—	1005.0
Apr 87	—	1000.0
Jul 87	—	965.0

Spot: 739.5
Vol.: 104.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Period rates stayed close to overnight levels yesterday.

With the pound languishing around $1.37 by the close, operators were unwilling to establish more optimistic positions.

The shorter end, however, was pushed easier by the cheapness of overnight money as a result of the £350 million surplus on the discount market.

The local authorities continued to stay out of the market.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 11½
Finance House 12

Discount Market Loans%
Overnight: High 11½ Low 2
Week fixed. 11⅛-11⅛

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying	Selling
2 months 11¼	2 months 11⅜
3 months 11	3 months 10¹⁵⁄₁₆

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)

1 month 11¾-11⅝	2 months 11⅞-11¾
3 months 11¾-11½	6 months 10¹⁵⁄₁₆-10¹³⁄₁₆

Trade Bills (Discount %)

1 month 12	2 months 11⅞
3 months 11¾	6 months 11½

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 11⅛-11 close 6-5

1 week 11⅛-11⅛	6 months 11⅛-11⅛
1 month 11⅛-11⅛	9 months 11⅛-11⅛
3 months 11⅛-11⅛	12 months 11¼-11⅛

Local Authority Deposits (%)

2 days 11⅛	7 days 11⅛
1 month 11⅛	3 months 11⅛
6 months 11¼	12 months 10⅞

Local Authority Bonds (%)

1 month 12⅛-12	2 months 12-11⅞
3 months 11⅞-11⅝	6 months 11⅞-11¾
9 months 11⅛-11⅛	12 months 11⅛-11

Sterling CDs (%)

1 month 11⅞-11¾	3 months 11⅛-11⅜
6 months 11⅛-11	12 months 10⅞-10¾

Dollar CDs (%)

1 month 8.00-7.90	3 months 8.05-7.85
6 months 8.20-8.10	12 months 8.60-8.50

EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	8-7
7 days	8⅛-7⅞	1 month	8⅛-8
3 months	8⅛-8⅛	6 months	8⅜-8¼
Deutschmark		call	5-4
7 days	4¾-4⅝	1 month	4⅝-4½
3 months	4¹¹⁄₁₆-4⁹⁄₁₆	6 months	4¾-4⅝
French Franc		call	10⅞-9⅞
7 days	9¹³⁄₁₆-9¹¹⁄₁₆	1 month	9¹³⁄₁₆-9¹¹⁄₁₆
3 months	10⅛-10	6 months	11⅛-11⅜
Swiss Franc		call	2¾-1¾
7 days	3-2¾	1 month	4¼-4⅛
3 months	4¾-4⅝	6 months	4¾-4½
Yen		call	6⅛-5⅞
7 days	6⅛-6	1 month	6⅝-6½
3 months	6⅞-6¾	6 months	6¾-6⅝

GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin):
$335.00-338.50 (£244.50-245.75)
Sovereigns* (new):
$78.00-79.00 (£57.00-57.75)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV
Average reference rate for interest period 7 August, 1985, to 3 September, 1985, inclusive: 11.574 per cent.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The dollar gained good ground yesterday breaking through the DM 2.8500 level to reach a high of DM 2.8600. It closed a net 175 points higher at DM 2.8520.

Operators said renewed support for the dollar came after last week's better than expected figures for the US trade balance and also the leading indicator figures.

The pound maintained most of its recent gains losing ground against the dollar in common with other currencies but remaining strong on the continent. It closed at 1.3705 against the dollar.

Against the mark, the pound showed only a small loss at DM 3.9121 (3.9157).

The dollar gained against the Swiss franc to 2.3500 (2.3335), and strengthened at the expense of the French franc at 8.7225 (8.6430).

The yen also lost ground in dollar terms, to 239.40 (238.55).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range September 3	Market rates close September 3	1 month	3 months
New York	$1.3685-1.3770	$1.3700-1.3710	0.45-0.44c prem	1.17-1.14c prem
Montreal	$1.8765-1.8820	$1.8795-1.8795	2½-2¾c prem	6¼-5c prem
Amsterdam	4.3680-4.4068fl	4.4007-4.4068fl	2¼-1¾c prem	4¾-3¾c prem
Brussels	78.91-79.28f	79.05-79.18f	4½-3orc prem	10-8¾ore prem
Copenhagen	14.1450-14.1981k	14.1809-14.1981k	2½-1¾ore prem	6¾-5¼p prem
Dublin	1.2547-1.2579p	1.2563-1.2573p	25-10p prem	61-49pf prem
Frankfurt	3.8976-3.9158m	3.9094-3.9149m	2¾-2⅝pf prem	8¼-7¾pf prem
Lisbon	229.89-234.44e	230.16-233.76e	415-1445e disc	1180-3925e disc
Madrid	226.46-228.45p	227.17-229.48p	60-410e disc	80-225p disc
Milan	2804.00-2819.30lr	2807.80-2813.81lr	3 prem-3lr disc	4-11lr disc
Oslo	11.4407-11.4821k	11.4501-11.4821k	⅛-1ore disc	2¼-3¼c prem
Paris	11.9050-11.9560f	11.9302-11.9526f	2¼-1¾c prem	5¾-5¼c prem
Stockholm	11.5312-11.5747k	11.5525-11.5747k	2¼-3¼ore prem	8¼-8¾ore disc
Tokyo	327.12-328.82y	328.03-328.41y	1¼-1¼y prem	4¾-4¾ prem
Vienna	27.37-27.50sch	27.47-27.50sch	16-14¾gro prem	43¾-39gro prem
Zurich	3.2071-3.2269f	3.2179-3.2230f	2¾-2¾c prem	5¾-5¾c prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down 0.3 at 82.0 (day's range 81.9-82.1).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.0968-1.0990
Australia dollar	1.8427-1.8971
Bahrain dinar	0.5155-0.5195
Brazil cruzeiro*	9583.00-9618.00
Canada	1.8020-1.8120
Cyprus pound	0.4300-0.4360
Finland marka	8.2415-8.2815
Greece drachma	188.10-185.10
Hong Kong dollar	10.696-10.708
India rupee	16.49-16.59
Iraq dinar	n.a.
Kuwait dinar (KD)	0.4160-0.4190
Malaysia dollar	3.4000-3.4056
Mexico peso	460.25-480.25
New Zealand dollar	2.5381-2.5442
Saudi Arabia riyal	4.9530-5.0339
Singapore dollar	3.1007-3.1058
South Africa rand	3.2595-3.3415
United Arab Emirates dirham	5.0225-5.0625

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.0930-1.0945
Singapore	2.2650-2.2678
Australia	2.4840-2.4860
Bahrain	0.5860-0.5870
Canada	1.3700-1.3710
Netherlands	3.4350-3.4360
Sweden	8.3800-8.3700
Denmark	10.3400-10.3500
West Germany	2.8530-2.8540
Switzerland	2.3490-2.3510
Netherlands	3.2085-3.2105
France	8.7175-8.7225
Italy	2395.40-2396.50
Japan	1905.0-1907.0
Belgium(Comm)	57.73-57.78
Hong Kong	7.8135-7.8155
Portugal	168.50-170.50
Spain	167.15-167.30
Austria	20.02-20.06

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1985 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div %	Yld %	P/E
101	87	Alba	95		2.6	2.8	
668	588	Alliance	640		26.1	4.1	
155	128	Amer Trust	152	+1	2.9	3.5	
302	245	Ang Amer Sec	274	+1	8.1	3.0	
145	123	Ashdown	134		4.2	3.2	
122	98	Atlantic Assets	102		3.0	3.7	
93	83	Bankers	85		3.59	3.7	
184	152	Barry	165		1.45	2.5	
178	152	Border & Sthrn	169	+1	4.7	2.8	
215	198	Br Assets	209		9.95	4.6	
30½	25	Br Empire Sec	30½		1.3	4.2	
373	312	British Inv	336		20.5	6.0	
76	64	Brunner	72		5.15	4.4	
86	64	Charter Agency	79		3.05	4.1	
595	525	Continental	575		24.5	4.6	
178	119	Crescent Japan	126		1.1	0.9	
265	205	Delta	270		10.9	10.3	
109	97	Derby Inc	106				
109	95	Do Cap	105				
226	204	Drayton Cons	224		13.4b	4.5	
148	112	Drayton Far East	132		3.5	1.5	
423	348	Drayton Japan	392		3.8e	1.0	
413	383	Drayton Premier	413		20.7b	5.0	
180	160	Dunbar Low	173		7.4b	4.3	
118	89	Edin Amer Assct	103		0.6	0.6	
117	103	Edinburgh	113		4.1b	3.6	
292	264	Electric Gen	288		5.1	1.8	
157	141	English Int	149		3.2	2.1	
78	65	English Scot	73		1.8	2.4	
108½	97	English NY	105		3.6	3.4	
97	84	F.I.G. Alliance	95		3.6	3.8	
166	122	F&C Pacific	127		5.4	4.2	
208	186	Fenchy	200		8.9	4.5	
278	242	First Scot Amer	270	+1	12.9b	4.8	
270	242	First Ulen	270		12.5	4.6	
500	455	Fleming American	448		7.5	1.7	
277	235	Fleming Claver	277		12.8	4.6	
288	238	Fleming Enterprise	288		12.1	4.6	
199	178	Fleming Far East	177		4.1	2.3	
113	100	Fleming Fledgling	112		3.5	3.2	
560	406	Fleming Japan	413		6.7	1.6	
105	85	Fleming Mercantile	104½	+½	4.3	4.1	
134	104	Fleming Overseas	126		3.9	3.7	
163	129	Fleming Tech	129		3.3	2.6	
304	272	Fleming Universal	288	+1	7.1	2.5	
74	60	For Cdl	65½		2.2b	3.4	
121	93	GBC Capital	94				
165	118	GT Japan	116	-1	2.0b	1.7	
234	187	General Funds	116	+2	4.2	3.6	
251	230	General Cons	251	+1	14.3b	5.7	
125	109½	Glasgow Stock	110		2.9b	2.7	
207	187	Globe	200		6.5	3.2	
1000	880	Gt Japan	1000		10.5	1.0	
1000	880	Gt Japan Cap	1000		10.5	1.0	
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

Electrical worries stall blue chips' attempt at record

By Derek Pain and Pam Spooner

Electricals switched off the stock market yesterday. Just when it seemed that the FT 30-share index would hit a peak worries about electrical share ratings re-surfaced.

With one broker pulling back its General Electric Co. forecast, another high-technology share falling from grace and jobbers anxious to get stock on their books, market enthusuasm drained away.

At the close, the FT 30-share index was down 5.9 points at 1,007 points. And the FT-SE share index, which briefly touched a record 1,344.7 points, ended at 1,335.5 points, a 4.8 points fall.

The market also started to fret about today's interim figures from BICC. Little changed profits of around £42.5 million are now expected by most analysts. But some started to hesitate about same-again results and there was even talk of the figures being accompanied by a rights issue.

To deepen the gloom, Plessey's chances of gaining a share of the huge $4.5 billion (£3.3 billion) American defence contract appear to be fading rapidly. Plessey is locked in battle with a French group for the contract, the largest awarded by the US military authorities.

Such an array of poor tidings was too much for electricals – and ultimately the market as a whole.

GEC led the electrical pack lower falling at one time 10p to 174p. **Racal Electronics** was down 6p at 150p and Plessey slipped 4p to 136p.

BICC tumbled 18p to 200p and the once high-flying **Memcom International**, electronic filing specialist, collapsed 90p to *110p after the company shocked* shareholders at their yearly meeting with a warning of first half losses.

Even Thorn EMI, a takeover favourite, eased. The shares were down 5p at 407p despite 2 million being put through at 410p a share. *It is thought that* the parcel was picked up by Mr Robert Holmes a Court, the Australian entrepreneur who has been stalking Thorn for some time.

Mr Holms a Court's Associated Communications Corporation has a shareholding of between 3 per cent and 4 per cent. RCA, the American electronics to showbusiness group, is also thought to have displayed interest in Thorn.

Bowater Industries, where Hanson Trust has lifted its shareholding to 8 per cent, jumped 18p to 353p.

Other recent takeover favourites such as **Rowntree Mackintosh** and **Distillers Co**, shed coppers. DCL, after falling 10p in pre-market activity, finished 6p lower at 350p. **Reed International**, as hopes of a Hanson bid slipped further away, fell 13p to 689.

***BAT Industries** is on the* "buy" list for some stockbrokers, ahead of next week's trading news. The shares rose 2p to 330p yesterday, with talk of strong buying from the US in the past 10 days helping to keep the price firm. Nevertheless, *there are some analysts who* expect little joy from the half yearly figures.

Boots found supporters the *shares rising 4p to 207p. Market* men appeared to think Monday's lunch for the company in the City, at the broker Wood, *Macenzie was the cause of the* buying, the broker denies any significant changes in its view of the drugs and retailing group.

Laurie Milbank, the broking firm, made similar no-change noises after meeting directors of **Taylor Woodrow** yesterday. But the City firm is bullish of the stock, epsecially for the *long-term. Taylor shares rose 6p to* 451p.

Cookson Group moved 7p higher to 325p ahead of *tomorrow's half-year results.* The shres have been a firm feature on the industrial lists this week.

***Brammer**, the engineering* group which successfully fought off a takeover attempt by Bunzl this year, fell 7p to 318p after its *interim profits news. At the* height of the bid Brammer shares traded above the 400p level.

Talk of a bid for M L **Holdings** from Stone International had a strong effect. M L shares gained 14p to 330p.

Allied-Lyons shares moved higher again, up 10p at 252p as market men heard a bevy of tales about the brewing and foods group. Elders *IXL*, the Australian brewer which has a 4.5 per cent stake in Allied, was thought to be back in the market and buying busily.

Elders is expected to declare a more than 5 per cent interest in the British company in the next few days, and, as a result, is determined to get as many as it can before making its formal declaration. In addition, the Elders chief executive, Mr John Elliot, was reported to be in town, directing operations.

Stories of a US-based bid for Allied were also circulating, with Philip Morris, the tobacco and brewing company, named as favourite to make an offer.

The City has heard in the past few weeks that Elders is the front man for a consortium bid, and there have been murmurings of an offer coming from the Far East.

Regional brewers were enlivened by hopes that Imperial Group, having finally settled the sale of Howard Johnson in the US, is about to turn acquisitive attention in their direction. **Greene King** gained 10p to 226p, **Scottish & Newcastle** rose 4½p to 167p and other second-line brewing shares put on pennies.

Shares in **Arthur Bell**, the whisky group, rose 8p to 276p as its board advised acceptance of the bid from **Arthur Guinness** after its profits news earlier in the week. Improvement on its drill ship operations helped the interim results.

Elsewhere in oils, share prices were mixed, with **British Petroleum** slipping 6p to 570p after the bombing of a subsidiary's office in Hamburg. More than $1 million worth of damage was done to the building housing offices for Scientific Control Systems.

Charterhouse Petroleum shares rose alongside the extension of its merger terms with **Saxon Oil** for another week. *Charterhouse was up 4p to 89p*, while Saxon was unchanged at 544p. **Enterprise Oil**, which is also chasing Saxon, fell 6p to *196p*.

Shares in **Vosper**, the engineering group, fell another 10p to 198p as the group disclosed a fall into losses at the half-way stage. Market men are also giving up hope that the company will receive its compensation this year for the nationalization of its shipbuilding interests eight years ago.

Among packaging companies, **Metal Box** continued its rally, up 18p at 508p. The shares had been hit by the recent troubles *in South Africa, where the* group has a sizeable business, and City men are now taking the view that the markdown was overdone.

Dixons Group continues to push ahead on the back of optimistic comment about the *direction of its share price.* Dixons gained another 20p to 844p, making a 42p gain in two days.

Scottish Investment Trust hovers around its year's high at 282p as the market awaits a bid strike by British Empire Securities & General Trust, which has strong North American links. BESGT already has 7 per cent of SIT.

Expect Dunton Group, brickmaker and property developer, to disclose a sharp profits advance next week. There are hopes that pre-tax profits will be around £200,00 (against £130,000) and Mr Alan Sore, chairman, will declare a maiden dividend. The shares were unchanged at 23½p yesterday.

Tesco, the supermarket group now headed by Mr Ian MacLaurin, is heading for profits of £110 million this year against £81.3 million last, according to Mr Alun Jones of Phillips & Drew, the broker. Next year profits could hit £130 million. Mr Jones believes Tesco could widen its trading margins by a point over the next four years and is well placed to expand. The shares, up 3p to 263p yesterday, are highly rated but still worth buying, he says.

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

● **CHURCH & CO:** The company has raised pretax profit to £1,724,000 during the past six months, against £1,447,000 in the same period of 1984. Turnover rose to £25,753,000 in the six months to the end of June, up from £22,721,000 in the first half of last year.

● **NORTH MIDLAND CONSTRUCTION:** The board has agreed to buy the one third minority interest in the company's subsidiary, North Midland Engineering Construction (Civil Engineering) for £135,000.

● **PANCONTINENTAL MINING:** No dividend (same) for the year to June 30. Net profit Aus $5.59 million (loss Aus $4.48 million). Turnover 39.94 million (five million). Other income 2.39 million (1.89 million). Shares 127.36 million (105 million).

● **RAGLAN PROPERTIES TRUST:** Final results for the year to March 31. Dividend 0.085p. (Figures in £000). Gross profit 251 (522). Pretax profit 73 (363) after admimistrative expenses 211 (172) and interest charge 1 (14) but including interest received 34 (28). Tax 25.5 (157). Earnings per share 0.16p. Net assets value 7.2p (6.6p).

● **SAVE AND PROSPER GOLD FUND:** Six months to July 31. No interim. Total income $81,666 ($124,032). Underwriting commission nil ($1,900). Management and other expenses $59,319 ($75,930). Equalization $3,122 ($2,722). Net income for period $19,225 ($50,824). Earnings per share $0.035 ($0l076).

● **WESTERN CONTINENTAL:** Western Continental Corp, parent company of the Black Hill, Ran Data, Eastern Petroleum Group, is to make a 1-for-3 renounceable rights issue at par value of 25 cents. The issue will raise £Aus 4.99 million (£2.53 million).

● **UNICHEMA CHEMICALS**, of Paramus, New Jersey, a subsidiary of Unilever, has agreed with Darling & Co to buy Darling's Chicago-based chemical division. This will be Unichema Chemicals' first US manufacturing facility.

● **SAMUEL HEATH:** The company raised turnover from £4,244,000 to £4,880,000 during the past year. During the year to the end of March, Heath's pretax profit fell from £476,000 to £325,000 and it saw earnings per share slide from 82.4p to 65.5p.

● **SYSTEMS RELIABILITY:** Interim 1.5p (1.32p) for six months to June 30. (Figures in £000. Turnover 6,147 (5,038). Operating profit 1,742 (1,381). Pretax profit 1,513 (1,252). Tax 687 (615). Extraordinary debt nil (369). Earnings per share 7.85p (6.05p).

● **PROVIDENT FINANCIAL GROUP:** Interim dividend (3.5p) for half year to June 30. (Figures in £000). Turnover 163,639 (147,081). Pretax profit 7,145 (6,339). Tax 2,947 (2,932). Savings per share 10p (8.12).

● **DIXONS GROUP:** Chairman Mr Stanley Kalms, says in his annual review that the year has started well and he is again confident that the company will achieve further substantial growth in profitability.

● **LAMBERT HOWARTH GROUP:** Interim period to June 29. Interim 1.5p (1.5p) on increased capital. Figures in £000. Turnover 10,734 (8,484). Trading profit 694 (735). Depreciation 264 (222). Bank interest 14 (6). Investment income 11 (10). Pretax profit 427 (517). Tax 165 (238). Earnings per share 4.66p (4.96p) adjusted.

● **JAMES BEATTIE:** Six months to July 31. Figures in £000. Sales 21,259 (18,379) including VAT 2,636 (2,278). Pretax profit 1,623 (1,234). Tax 663 (566). Earnings per share 2.10p (1.46p). adjusted

● **ANGLO AFRICAN FINANCE:** No interim dividend (same) for six months to June 30 (Figures in £000). Turnover 78,671 (112,577). Income before tax 2,219 (5,282). Tax 934 (1,791). Share of after tax of related companies' loss 7 (profit 78). Income attributable to shareholders 183 (599). Extraordinary debit 62 (credit 287). Earnings per share 2p (6.5p).

● **RICARDO CONSULTING ENGINEERS:** Final 1.875p making 2.75p (2.5p) for the year to June 30 (Figures in £000). Revenue 13,761 (11,338). Operating profit 1,991 (1,511). Interest receivable 129 (119). Pretax profit (2,120) 1,630). Tax 802 (612). Extraordinary debit nil (91). Earnings per share 9.2p (7.1).

● **SHARPE & FISHER:** Six months to June 30. Interim 0.61p (same). (Figures in £000). Turnover 23,587 (23, 371). Builders merchants 14,161 (15,669) and DIY stores 9,426 (7,702). Profit before tax 669 (779). Tax 254 (312). Earnings per share 2.1p (2.4p).

● **GEORGE ARMITAGE & SONS:** Interim dividend 10p (7.5p) for six months to June 30. (Figures in £000). Turnover 6,345 (6,644). Operating profit 1,096 (1,073). Interest payable net 374 (45). Pretax profit 722 (1,028). Tax 180 (206). Earnings per share 33.1p (51.4p).

TEMPUS

Telerate millions mute applause for Exco

A modest round of applause, *rather than a standing ovation*, greeted Exco International when the money broker, unit trust and real estate group announced its interim results yesterday.

The shares rose 5p to 204p, still well below their 1985 high of 248p, on earnings per share up from 5.1p to 7.3p. The comparisons, particularly at the pretax level, are complicated by a change in currency accounting and the difficulty in gauging the impact on the year-end outcome of the Telerate sale last month.

The £230 million Telerate selling price is apparently *justified by the half-year profits* of £7.3 million from that division. But the burning question is what will Exco do *with the money?*

The accompanying statement boasts that the deal reduces the group's exposure to *the dollar-sterling exchange* rate. But that will remain so only if the proceeds are kept in sterling.

The odds are marginally that they will be, but the plan seems to be to make several smaller acquisitions rather than one big *purchase. They will probably* be extensions of existing activities: fund management, leasing, real estate or export *finance. That is reassuring, but* by the same token it takes a little of the fun out of a group which has excited the City with *entrepreneurial forays.*

It was a half year of consolidation for two of the more interesting satellite operations. The profits of Wico, the Far-Eastern stockbroking business, were held to a standstill by a build-up in the staffing and back-up for the Tokyo office. Commission rates were cut but much of this effect was passed on to clients.

Gartmore, the unit trust arm where the chief executive departed, actually suffered a reduction in trading profits. A "broader" policy is being mapped out; meanwhile costs are temporarily mounting at the expense of revenue.

The most important single influence on Exco is the volatility of interest and foreign exchanges rates. While uncertainty may be bad for traders, it is good for brokers. John Gunn, the chief executive, is confident that the outlook is sufficiently unstable to keep his clients churning their positions. The British Treasury is doing its best to thwart him, at least on interest rates.

Earnings for the year should rise from 11.1p to 15p, taking the p/e ratio down to 13.6. An unassuming rating, but the market will be taking a cautious view until the Telerate cash is redeployed.

Gilts

The Bank of England's market operators must have blinked at the off yesterday, as they prepared to cope with an almost unprecedented situation – a money market surplus. Treasury 8¾ per cent 1985 matured, and what proved to be a lousy bargain as a convertible – only about £2 million or so was ever switched longer – still managed to bequeath a neat legacy on redemption to the authorities.

The day's surplus of £350 million helped push the short *rates down to about 5 per cent* for overnight money at the close but no one, not even the authorities, expect this happy *state of affairs to last. That is* why longer-term rates and gilts barely moved on the day. Three month interbank eased 1/16 to 11⅝ per cent. The fact that the authorities mopped up the surplus by selling around £300 million Treasury bills due *on Friday means that shortages* are due, pro forma, to return fairly shortly.

Lasmo

In this climate of fragile oil prices and an uncertain dollar/sterling exchange rate the oil companies seem to be turning to treasury and tax *management rather than explo*ration and production for the factors which will determine their fortunes.

London & Scottish Marine Oil is in no doubt that the external factors of price and currency fluctuation will have *the most striking impact on the* year's results. In the first half the company produced after-tax profits of £16.7 million up *from £13.2 million with the* benefit of the dollar's first quarter strength outweighing its second quarter weakness.

The uncertainties which overhang the oil sector present an opportunity to make money through astute treasury management. *British Petroleum has* done this to excellent affect through its own in-house bank, and although Lasmo is doing *all it can on this front the* impression is that the company is trying to limit the effects of the uncertainties rather than *capitalize upon them.*

It is restricted by its size, and unlike BP has no massive cash mountain to play around with.

Having raised around *£100* million in the last nine months through rights and convertible bond issues, Lasmo is unusually well endowed with cash at the moment. On *current projections, however,* the funds are still only sufficient to meet the company's needs for the next 15 months.

The prospect of cash shortages might worry the City but it should be encouraged by Lasmo's production capability. In the first half, production increased by 40 per cent. With more announcements of discoveries expected soon it is clear that although the rate may not be maintained at such *a high level, production will* continue to increase.

If oil prices remain static companies such as Lasmo, *with their increasing pro*duction, will benefit. If only it could make some impression on its 77 per cent ax rate it *might receive a better reception* from the City than yesterday, when the shares lost 15p to close at 273p.

Brammer

The institutions who boldly supported the determined resistance of Brammer, the engineering group, to the £133 million takeover bid by the paper distribution group, Bunzl, were obviously taking a long-term view of their investment. Just as well.

Bunzl's bid was worth 420p a share cash. Since the bid collapsed Brammer's price has fallen from over 400p to 318p yesterday, down 7p after the group reported a 20 per cent rise in pretax profits for the first six months to a record £5.7 million. Sales went up 8 per cent to £46.6 million.

Brammer is still on course for its forecast for the year of £12 million but clearly the institutions' investment heroism is creating expectations which even the highly commendable half-time outcome has failed to fulfil.

The high-margin mainstream Brammer business is continuing to thrive with 20 per cent of earnings coming from the United States. The *present performance vidicates* Brammer's bid-time defence that Bunzl could offer little.

A period of consolidation *looks in store for Brammer*, which will hopefully translate its profitable margin expertise to ESE before considering any *further acquisitions.*

It seems unlikely the shares will see 400p again for some time. One wonders how patient *the loyal institutions will be.*

British investors lead the invasion of Italy

From John Earle, Rome

The British have emerged this year as the leading foreign investors in Italian stock and bond markets, followed by the Americans, West Germans, Swiss and French, according to a study by the big publicly owned financial institution IMI (Istituto Mobiliare Italiano).

Total foreign investment is estimated by IMI's research subsidiary, Studi Finanzari, at about 3,000 billion lire (£1,200 million), divided about evenly between equities and government bonds, which offer tax-free interest well into double figures.

A Studi Finanzari official said that the flow had accelerated since January, amounting to perhaps 1,500 billion lire (£600 million), and as much as 50 per cent of this may have come from Britain.

Among stockbrokers, he mentioned James Capel, De Zoate and Bavan, and Rowe and Pitman as being particularly interested in the Italian market. Among fund managers, GT, Save and Prosper, and M and G were mentioned.

Studi Finanzari claims to have its finger on the pulse of the market and it says that about 40 per cent of foreign investment funds flowing into Italy come through IMI group subsidiaries. Foreign institutions which have been investing in Italy number at least 200.

They are seen as one of the reasons why the Milan bourse has, according to Studi Finanzary's calculations, outperformed all other stock markets with a rise of 64.1 per cent in the first eight months of this year.

There are now signs of growing interest from America.

APPOINTMENTS

Timpson Shoes: **Mr John Timpson** becomes executive chairman, succeeding Mr Trevor Morgan, who will remain a non-executive director. **Mr Andrew Leslie** has been appointed managing director, Timpson Shops, and **Mr Michael Frank**, managing director of Timpson Shoe Repairs. Mr Mike Williams will continue as controller, Timpson Properties.

H. J. Heinz: **Mr J. W. Connolly** has become senior vice-president, Europe, succeeding **MrJohn A. Connell**, who retires but continues as a non-executive director of Heinz UK.

Imperial Brewing and Leisure: **Mr Bob Elliott** has been made director of business development.

Dewey Warren and Company: **Mr Martin J Hesse** has joined the board.

Express Foods: **Mr Geoff Hancock** has been named at managing director.

Securicor Group: **Mr Peter Towle** becomes group chief executive, succeeding Mr Peter Smith, who remains as chairman in a non-executive capacity. **Mr Roger Wiggs** has been appointed deputy group chief executive.

Astley & Pearce (Eurocurrency Deposits:: **Mr Paul Burt** has become a director.

UB Distribution Services: **Mr John Capstick** has been appointed distribution director (frozen foods).

MacGregor Halton: **Mr Martin Reid-Foster** has become managing director.

Mirror Group Newspapers: **Mr Ken Udall** has been appointed a director with responsibility for editorial administration, and **Mr Patrick Morrissey** has been made senior deputy managing director.

The Association of International Accountants: **Mr Richard C. Demeritte**, High commissioner for the Bahamas in the United Kingdom, has been elected chairman of the council.

Tyzack & Partners: **Mr Peter M Ohlson** has become a partner in the London office.

Clive Discount Company **Mr Michael Walker** has been appointed a director.

Byas, Mosely & Co: **Mr Derek P Rogers** has joined the board as chief executive of the company's British operation.

Estridge & Ropner Life and Pensions Services: **Mr Mark Carlisle** MP has become a non-executive director.

RECENT ISSUES

	Closing Price
ATS Selection 5p Ord (50p)	62+2
Aberdeen Steak Houses 5p Ord (67a)	84
Bradstock Group 5p Ord (170)	203+10
British Up Ord (135) £1 paid	141–2
C C A Galleries 10p Ord (80a)	89
Cannon Street Inv 20p Ord (a)	48–2
Control Techniques 10p Ord (115)	120
Dean Park, Hds 25p Ord (51a)	48
F K B Group 5p Ord (140a)	188+2
First Security 10p Ord (160)	127
Goodhead Print 20p Ord (88a)	88
Green Property 1R 25p Ord (78)	08
Israel Dark £1 Ap Ord (20a)	26½+½
Lewmar 25p Ord (110a)	103–2
Lysander Petroleum 5p Ord (65a)	70
Michael J. Design 2.5 Ord (44a)	61
Moss Advertising 5p Ord (105a)	93+3
Nordic Inv. Trust 10p Ord (50)	58
Prestwick Holdings 5p Ord (100)	73
Sapphire Petroleum 50p Ord (150a)	98
Tribon 10p Ord (73a)	92–2
Yellow Hammer 5p Ord (110a)	133

Rights issues

British Vending (47) Nil Pd	11prem+1
Fordham Burton (360) Nil Pd	45prem
Hanson Trust (185) Pfly Pd	128

Issue price in parentheses a Unlisted Securities. *Tm tender*

Base Lending Rates

ABN Bank	11½%
Adam & Company	11½%
Barclays	11½%
BCCI	11½%
Citibank Savings	†12½%
Consolidated Crds	11½%
Continental Trust	11½%
Co-operative Bank	11½%
C. Hoare & Co	11½%
Lloyds Bank	11½%
Midland Bank	11½%
Nat Westminster	11½%
TSB	11½%
Williams & Glyn's	11½%
Citibank NA	11½%

† Mortgage Base Rate.

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PROFIT UP **SCRIP ISSUE**

Extracts from the statement by the Chairman, Mr. A. R. Perry.

- ☐ Profit before tax rose from £4.0 million to £4.7 million.
- ☐ Net asset value £1.85 per share.
- ☐ Developments at Basingstoke, Gravesend and in Belgium.
- ☐ New retail properties acquired at Leeds and Dundee.
- ☐ Acquisition to enlarge Rugby industrial estate.
- ☐ Work commenced at Motherwell and Basingstoke.
- ☐ Dividend increased to 2.5p per share.
- ☐ Scrip issue of 1 for 5 ordinary shares.

Results for the year ended 31st March 1985

£'000s	1985	1984	1983
Rents receivable	6,816	6,097	5,613
Net property income	5,819	5,369	4,904
Profit before tax	4,729	4,044	3,108
Ordinary dividend per share	2.5p	2.25p	1.8p
Share Capital and reserves	95,624	87,346	73,170

Copies of the complete Report and Accounts may be obtained from the Secretaries, W. H. Stentiford & Co., 1 Love Lane, London EC2V 7JJ.

The full accounts have been, or will be, filed with the Registrar of Companies and received an unqualified auditors' report except for a possible tax charge should any properties or investments be sold in excess of cost.

Half-Yearly Statement

The premium income and new business figures of the insurance subsidiaries for the half-year ended 30 June 1985 are as follows (the corresponding figures for the six months to 30 June 1984 are shown in brackets).

	£m	£m
1 PREMIUM INCOME		
Ordinary Branch	51·6	(37·3)
Industrial Branch	15·3	(14·3)
General Branch	5·2	(4·2)
2 NEW BUSINESS FIGURES		
Annual Premiums	12·8	(11·2)
Single Premiums	28·1	(19·2)
Sums Assured	279·4	(279·4)

The new business figures are net of reassurances.

It should be noted that the figures at the half-year do not necessarily provide a reliable guide to those for the full year.

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NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

To the Holders of

W. R. Grace Overseas Development Corporation

5% Guaranteed Sinking Fund Debentures Due 1986

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture dated as of April 1, 1966 providing for the above Debentures, said Debentures aggregating $750,000 principal amount have been selected for redemption on October 1, 1985 through operation of the Sinking Fund at the redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued interest to said date, as follows:

Debentures of $1,000 each of prefix "M" bearing the following serial numbers:

79	1731	4298	5864	6630	7482	8682	9753	10665	11264	11828	12336	12769	13289	13887	14544
89	1801	4301	5865	6636	7483	8694	9794	10666	11279	11831	12337	12783	13336	13879	14548
163	1808	4338	5867	6637	7494	8701	9808	10667	11283	11864	12338	12789	13337	13898	14563
164	1828	4382	5869	6638	7498	8744	9837	10669	11288	11888	12348	12808	13338	13901	14589
186	1882	4683	5888	6664	7508	8756	9838	10682	11308	11890	12365	12867	13364	13928	14594
248	1883	4688	5889	6665	7548	8763	9926	10690	11351	11898	12363	12869	13389	13944	14598
251	1954	4689	5890	6666	7579	8765	9963	10783	11353	11936	12366	12873	13373	13953	14601
544	2031	4694	5898	6667	7601	8826	9967	10798	11364	11953	12373	12948	13383	13982	14631
555	2048	4698	5908	6669	7608	8856	10038	10831	11365	11965	12382	12973	13388	13988	14637
556	2056	4801	5930	6748	7790	8858	10063	10838	11380	11989	12388	12982	13389	14026	14648
753	2125	5128	5936	6786	7821	8863	10065	10837	11390	11994	12401	12983	13390	14028	14655
755	2128	5131	5986	6789	7848	8884	10066	10844	11394	11998	12408	12988	13428	14038	14664
756	2155	5136	6044	6794	7853	8866	10067	10890	11420	12026	12426	13020	13431	14044	14667
798	2169	5137	6048	6798	7920	8867	10069	10894	11467	12037	12437	13028	13464	14053	14669
820	2173	5138	6094	6801	7936	8920	10073	10898	11469	12044	12453	13037	13466	14073	14694
894	2182	5144	6128	6826	8008	8926	10088	10901	11482	12048	12455	13048	13467	14090	14708
1028	2188	5148	6144	6836	8126	8928	10089	10908	11488	12058	12456	13053	13469	14094	14728
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1048	2226	5173	6173	6863	8131	8944	10108	10965	11498	12088	12467	13063	13494	14131	14748
1182	2228	5208	6188	6926	8136	8973	10164	10979	11528	12089	12488	13064	13498	14148	14756
1183	2248	5237	6189	6928	8183	8988	10255	10989	11531	12090	12494	13065	13501	14155	14766
1253	2253	5279	6190	7037	8189	8990	10269	10994	11544	12120	12526	13067	13508	14156	14767
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1379	2508	5290	6255	7069	8231	9055	10294	11079	11582	12137	12553	13126	13548	14194	14828
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1544	2883	5356	6353	7126	8366	9248	10363	11098	11644	12173	12566	13167	13669	14237	14865
1548	2948	5379	6355	7144	8379	9294	10408	11101	11688	12190	12589	13182	13673	14238	14868
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Payment will be made upon presentation and surrender of the above Debentures with coupons due April 1, 1986 and subsequent coupons attached at the main offices of any of the following: **Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 30 West Broadway, New York, New York 10015**; Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York in Brussels, Frankfurt am Main, London and Paris; Algemene Bank Nederland N.V. in Amsterdam; Credito Italiano in Milan; and Banque Internationale à Luxembourg S.A. in Luxembourg. Payments at the office of any paying agent outside of the United States will be made by check drawn on, or transfer to a United States dollar account with, a bank in the Borough of Manhattan, City and State of New York. Any payment made by transfer to an account maintained by the payee with a bank in the United States may be subject to reporting to the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and to backup withholding at a rate of 20% if payees not recognized as exempt recipients fail to provide the paying agent with an executed IRS Form W-8, certifying under penalties of perjury that the payee is not a United States person or an executed IRS Form W-9, certifying under penalties of perjury the payee's taxpayer identification number (employer identification number or social security number, as appropriate). Those holders who are required to provide their correct taxpayer identification number on Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 and who fail to do so may also be subject to a penalty of $50. Please therefore provide the appropriate certification when presenting your securities for payment. Coupons due October 1, 1985 should be detached and collected in the usual manner.

On and after October 1, 1985 interest shall cease to accrue on the Debentures selected for redemption.

The current conversion price of the Debentures is $57.32 per share of Common Stock of W. R. Grace & Co. The right to convert the Debentures called for redemption shall expire at the close of business on September 20, 1985.

W. R. GRACE OVERSEAS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Dated: August 29, 1985

TENNIS: WIMBLEDON CHAMPION IS SENT OUT TO GRASS ON THE HARD COURTS OF FLUSHING MEADOW

Hurricane Boris blows himself out

From Rex Bellamy, *Tennis Correspondent, New York*

Jimmy Connors and John McEnroe are the only players who have won the men's singles title since the United States championships were moved to the hard courts of Flushing Meadow in 1978. Nowadays, though, they are beginning to look like a beleaguered and battle-weary American garrison under heavy fire from a European *invading force* - and there are no reinforcements in sight.

The Europeans, mind you, are *dropping stray bombs on* their own lines. One of these *has removed* from McEnroe's path his successor as Wimbledon champion, Boris Becker. McEnroe should now be studying Swedish. In order to reach the final he must beat Joakim Nystrom and either Mats Wilander or Anders Jarryd. A fourth Swede, Stefan Edberg, *who is on the way up*, had an appointment yesterday with Connors, aged 33, who is reluctantly on the way down.

These Swedes are delightful: fine sportsmen who get on with *the job* without fussing (except for Jarryd, who often seems close to a nervous breakdown) and talk about the game and themselves with no hint of either conceit or false modesty. The sleepiest of the lot is Nystrom, who beat Becker 6-3, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4 in 2 hr 43 min on *Monday evening and thus* cancelled the Becker-McEnroe clash which many had assumed would be the match of the tournament.



Mandlikova: semi-finalist

Becker, aged 17, is learning this trade. It is extraordinary that, so much should be expected of him so soon. For his age he has done remarkably well in the past nine months, reaching the last eight in Australia, winning Wimbledon and advancing to the last 16 here. Should anyone – even Becker, an ambitious but *sensible lad* – be *disappointed* with a record like that?

Nystrom, who beat McEnroe in Dallas last April, took Becker to five sets at Wimbledon and served for the match twice. It was logical that Mystrom's exemplary ground strokes, especially his service returns, would be even more effective on hard courts, which have a far *more consistent bounce than* grass. Moreover, these players are ranked only three places apart. There is not much between them.

Nystrom played a superb match. He had to. His tennis was marked by the way he anticipated the direction of Becker's *fierce services and* forehands and thus had time to *counter-punch*. Becker's strategy went through three phases. First, he tried all-out attack. That got him nowhere, so he settled down on the baseline for a while. On thought of Ian Botham, loosening up with a flurry of boundaries before taking a quiet look at the *bowling*.

Finally, Becker mixed it up, rallying discreetly but bounding to the net after particularly good *approach shots. For the last two* sets Becker played very well. Nystrom still played slightly better. It takes a lot to impress the inscrutable Nystrom. A tornado might produce a few extra blinks.

At times Becker played like a tornado. He threw himself about with such abandon that he must have had some bruises to *nurse when it was a sixth* – and Nystrom's forehand approach shot, a winner, could not have been closer to the baseline.

This was a useful match for Becker. One day he will probably contest the final here – and the men's final tends to span daylight, twilight and floodlight night. All that happened on this occasion, too. Becker drank deeply from the wine of experience, *which* leaves an after-taste of wisdom.

*The last eight women in*cluded the seven most highly ranked players in the world, plus Steffi Graf, aged 16, who had an easy win over Manuela Maleeva, ranked eighth. The first player to reach the semi-finals was Hana Mandlikova, who had a 7-5, 7-5 win yesterday over another Czechoslovak, Helena Sukova, *runner-up for the Australian* championship. Miss Sukova was living on borrowed time, anyway. The previous day she had been match point down to Carling Bassett.



Still in with a shout: John McEnroe in the throes of dispatching Tomas Smid

FLUSHING MEADOW RESULTS

Men's singles

FOURTH ROUND: J Nystrom (Swe) bt B Becker (WG), 6-3, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4; M Wilander (Swe) bt G Holmes (US), 7-6, 6-1, 7-5; A Jarryd (Swe) bt T Mayotte (US), 7-6, 7-6, 6-4; J McEnroe (US) bt *T Smid (Cz)*, 6-3, 7-5, 6-2.

Men's doubles

SECOND ROUND: *M Jackson and T Wilkison* (US) bt St Edberg and A Jarryd (Swe), 4-6, 6-4, 6-4; K Curren and J Krlek (US) bt M Edmondson and K Warwick (Aus), 6-0, 7-5.
QUARTER-FINALS: K Flach and R Seguso (US) bt M Mortensen (Den) and H Somonsson (Swe), 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

Mixed doubles

FIRST ROUND: Z Garrison and M Freeman (US) bt L Gildemeister (Peru) and Hans Gildemeister (Chile) be default; B Bunge (WG) and Heinz Gildemeister (Chile) bt J Heathernington (Can) and R Acuna (Chile), 6-3, 6-4.
SECOND ROUND: J-A Russell and D Gitlin (US) bt *I Kloss (SA) and S Meister* (US), 3-6, 7-5, 6-3; E Smylie and J Fitzgerald (Aus) bt M-L Piatek and C Dunk (US), 7-5, 6-3; M *Navratilova (US) and H Gunthardt (Switz)* bt P Barg (US) and S Perkiss (Isr), 6-2, 6-3.

Women's singles

FOURTH ROUND: C Lloyd (US) bt R White (US), 6-2, 6-4; S Graf (WG) bt M Maleeva (Bul), 6-2, 6-2; M Navratilova (US) bt C Lindqvist (Swe), 6-4, 7-5; C Kohde-Kilsch (WG) bt W Turnbull (Aus), 5-7, 7-5, 6-2; P Shriver (US) bt A Moulton (US), 6-2, 6-4; H Mandlikova (Cz) bt K Jordan (US) bt K Gompert (US), 6-3, 6-2; H Sukova (Cz) bt C Bassett (Can), 6-4, 7-6, 7-5.

QUARTER-FINALS: H Mandlikova (Cz) bt H *Sukova (Cz)*, 7-6, 7-5.

Women's doubles

SECOND ROUND: K Horvath (US) and V Ruzici (Rom) bt L Antonopils and A Henrikasson (US), 0-6, 7-6, 6-3; M Navratilova and P Shriver (US) bt C Bennjamin and R Blount (US), 6-4, 6-2; A Hobbs (GB) and C Jolissaint (Switz) bt B Herr and Phelps (US), 3-6, 6-4, 6-3; Z Garrison and K Rinaldi (US) bt B Mould (SA) and P Whytcross (Aus), 6-3, 6-2; L Gildemeister (Peru) and A Holton (US) bt K Jordan (US) and E Smylie (Aus), 6-3, 6-3; B Potter and S Pate (US) bt Crowe and A-M Fernandez (US), 6-3, 6-3; C *Kohde-Kilsch (WG) and H Sukova (Cz)* bt R Casals and A Smith (US), 6-2, 7-5.

Portrait of the artist as a captain

Scholar and man of action who gets to the heart of his craft

By David Miller

In what is the most perceptive book ever likely to be written on cricket captaincy* or indeed upon the vagaries of character and psychology which, as much as skill, shape all sportsmen, Mike Brearley relates an incident that epitomizes the problems of modern captains.

Concerned that misinterrupted card playing in the dressing room was detrimental to Middlesex's concentration, unfinished hands being resumed after a batsman's dismissal, Brearley gave the team a stern talk. When he concluded, there were several moments of silence, then a voice said: "Who's got the cards, then?"

The concepts of Victorian leadership cannot be applied to today's liberated professionals. Brearley led Middlesex to four championship titles in 11 years and lost only four of the 31 Test matches he captained, having become vice-captain to Greig prior to the Packer revolution. As a practising psychotherapist his analysis of the profusion of motivation and inhibitions of his colleagues is, not surprisingly, sensitive and is illustrated with that kind of intimate recollection which is unavailable to the conventional *journalist-author, or is* largely missed or not interpreted in the professional's, usually-ghosted, tale.

In punctuating what is often a fascinating self-examination, with *asides on Greek history or Brecht or* Dr Johnson or Einstein, Brearley gives his account not some academic dryness but an unmannered expansion into wider, and relevent *analogies*.

He will no doubt be writing his summary of Gower's success in reclaiming the Ashes in next weekend's *Sunday Times*, but during *celebrations on Monday* he was discussing what would be required in the forthcoming series in West Indies: the use of five bowlers, and especially the two spinners, tactical *cunning by Gower*, and an acceptance by Botham that he must not persist in the notion that unconventional batting, such as he recklessly exhibited in 1979 in Australia, is an *answer to timidity in the face of* West Indian power.

This analysis is already in the book (page 234): "Mastery can be achieved by all manner of means, and a side's need to muster all its grit, cunning, patience and team spirit is even more crucial when it lacks the edge in sheer power".

Brearley was the only captain to be able to control the extraordinary talents of Botham.

"How can I bowl if you give me three-over spells", demanded Botham at Headingley in 1981. "How can I keep you on if you bowl medium-pace half-volleys? retorted Brearley: yet he regards Botham and the equally volatile Lillee as cricketing geniuses who respond to the right treatment.

He relates how Botham and Boycott, and Edmonds at county level, provided the evidence which demonstrated that they could not be effective captains: how Boycott, who as a player needed constant recognition and *reassurance*, behaved childishly towards Willis when promoted to captain after Brearley broke his arm in New Zealand, and how Botham was ridiculed by the team in the West Indies for questioning Gooch's *training runs* then himself became hyper sensitive to criticism.

"It is possible to misjudge someone on the strength of his responsibility at lower levels (as vice-captain)". Brearley quotes Bob Paisley, that wise Liverpool manager, which is appropriate; for with his commonsense, although often poorly articulated philosophy Paisley understood better than any in football the vicissitudes of temperament. Brearley is surprised at how he wanted to win, and quotes the Times Literary Supplement: "There is nothing like a sudden upsurge of maturity to impair the will to win". Except, he poses, an upsurge . . . of immaturity.

The days of intense decision-*making pressure on a captain* have quadrupled, he reasons, since the advent of one-day matches, yet it is essential that the captain be involved in the selection (of Test *teams) and* accept and face complications, being the man who is the target for blame when things go wrong.

The captain, Brearley says, must *exercise authority without the aid of* distance or subterfuge.

"Ultimately it is by example that he earns, or fails to earn, the respect of the team," he says. "No one will *follow a prig or a prude*; but a captain cannot afford to be dissolute *in his personal life*".

The military model of captaincy, he argues, is outdated, but he acknowledges the *frequent need* for the "do it because I say so" approach rather than Willis's style of captaincy-by-committee.

On the issue of bouncers he takes a middle line between Lillee – "I *bowl bouncers to intimidate*" – and such respected correspondents as my colleague, John Woodcock, and E W Swanton, who advocate a short-pitched ball restriction in the form of a fine to be arbitrarily drawn across the wicket by the umpires Brearley believes a one-per-over limitation should be pursued, but that bouncers are a legitimate aspect of cricket's *requirement for courage* and that tailenders should not be exempt – "*Anyone* who walks to the crease accepts a risk".

He discusses the strain upon batsmen-captains, *himself included*. "I had to struggle with an inner *voice which told me* I had no right to be there".

One appeal of the book is his unrestrained frankness without being unkind. Discussing the difference between Test players and the premium placed on bits-and-pieces players for the one-day game he cites the example of Marks and Chris Cowdrey. He stresses Willis's dictum that *you cannot afford* players who *might* mature in test matches. Gower should take note of that when helping to select the party for the West Indies at the end of this month.

**The Art of Captaincy by Mike Brearley (Hodder and Stoughton) £12.95*

Rise and rise of Gower

David Gower, having been forced to wait until his eleventh Test match as England's captain for his first win, is now riding high (Simon Wilde write). Not only have the victories started to flow, but so have the runs from his bat. The defeat by India in Bombay last December left the fortunes of Gower and England at their nadir. The team had gone 13 Test without a win, an unparallelled sequence of failure, while Gower's previous 13 innings had produced a top score of 57 not out and an average of around 20. His tenure as captain was threatened. Since then he has led his side to five wins in 10 Tests and scored 884 runs at an average of nearly 70. The table below shows how Gower's record as captain compares with that of his eight predecessors.

Name	Years of official captaincy	Tests as captain	Won	Lost	Drawn	% of games won
J M Brearley	1977-81	31	18	4	9	58.07
R G D Willis	1982-84	18	7	5	6	38.89
R Illingworth	1968-73	31	12	5	14	38.71
M H Denness	1974-75	19	6	5	8	31.58
D I Gower	1984-	20	5	8	7	25.00
A W Greig	1975-77	14	3	5	6	21.43
K W R Fletcher	1981-82	7	1	1	5	14.29
A R Lewis	1972-73	8	1	2	5	12.50
I T Botham	1980-81	12	0	4	8	–

YACHTING

Apricot in sight of victory

By Barry Pickthall

Apricot, the leading British multihull competing in the 3,000-mile TAG Round Europe Race, was bucking and bronco*ing* through a 40-knot mistral towards Toulon to *what is hoped will be a significant* victory today over their 15 rivals on the 665-mile seventh leg from Benalmadena in Spain.

At 11 o'clock yesterday the 60ft Irens-designed trimaran, which is giving away between 20 and 25ft in length to six other multihulls in this very competitive 16-strong fleet, held an unprecedented 85-mile lead over her nearest rival, the 85ft French catamaran Fleury Michon, while others trailed a further 60 to 120 miles astern.

After building up an initial 20 mile lead in the light conditions that prevailed during the first 24 hours, Apricot was first to take advantage of the stronger conditions experienced between the Spanish mainland and Balearic Islands on Sunday night, and while her rivals continued to wallow in the calms all experienced from the start on Saturday, Apricot sped away.

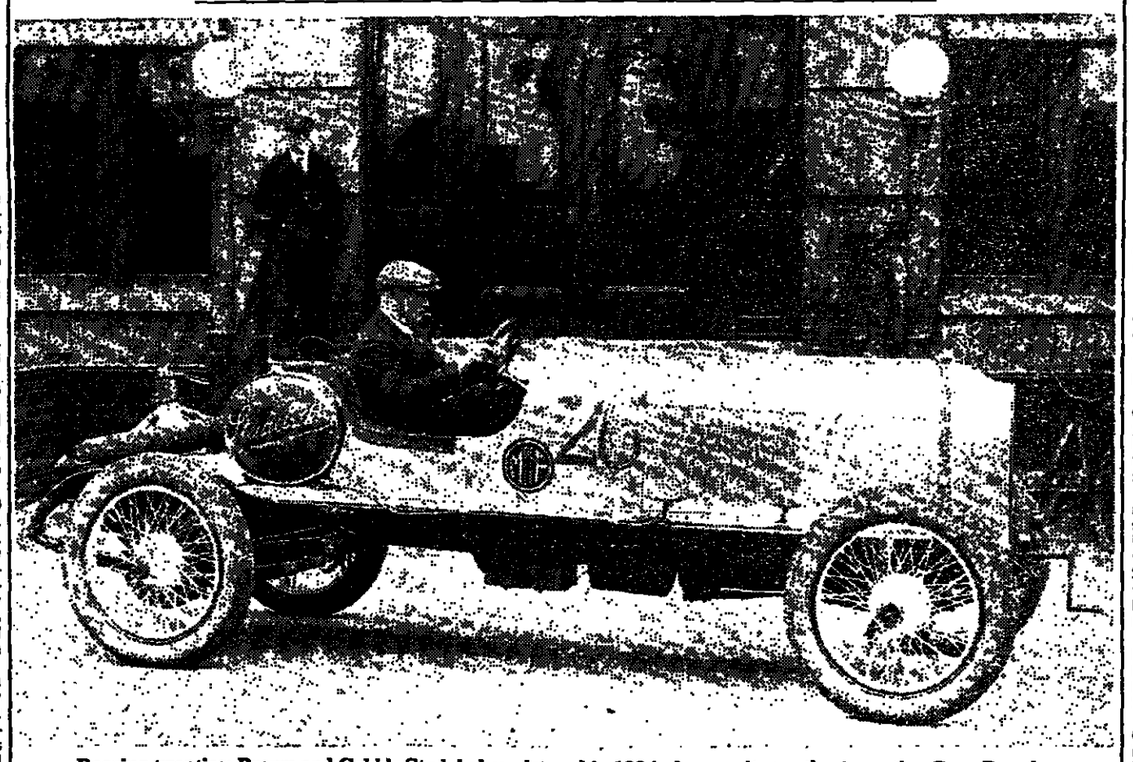
"The gods have certainly been smiling on us", skipper Tony Bullimore acknowledged last night on news that the Philippe Poupon-skippered Fleury Michon was trailing by eight hours, still struggling in light airs.

There was no news yesterday from Peter Phillips and his 80ft *catamaran, Novell Network, though* it was known that Robin Knox-Johnston trailed Apricot by 240 miles.

● After a morning cancellation of the *International Flying Fifteen* championships at Torbay the fleet restarted in a north-westerly six at 2.0 pm. John Millar led at the first mark followed by Ray Simmons and David Abbott. *Millar broke his* mast, Simmons broached, leaving Abbott leading with Gilmore and Burbeck close behind. The right hand side of the bay was favoured.
RESULTS: 1, 2884 *S Burbeck (Royal Torbay)*; 2, 2978 G Wells (Hayling Is); 3, T Randell (Hayling Is), 4, 2886 E Gilmore (Kircubbin); 5, 2936 G Bailey (Northampton); 6, 2938 I Coryn (Aldeburgh).

● Winds of up to 40 knots *prevented any racing in the Merlin* Rocket championship at Shoreham yesterday. This is the second time in three days that racing has had to be postponed, and it will now be *difficult to complete the scheduled* programme of six races by Friday.

Studebaker Special-Six proves there is life after immortality



Roaring twenties: Brown and Cobb's Studebaker pictured in 1924, the year it won the Argentine Gran Premio

Salute to a star-spangled banger

Not many cars make it to the museum pedestal and if one so honoured were suddenly to find itself back in the clamorous currents of the traffic stream it would have to be hailed as a wonder getting on for that of a body making a come-back after an appointment with the embalmer.

Rarer still must be the bread that puts the wheel of life so much in *reverse that it is made to abandon* the exalted fastness of a national museum in Indiana for the rolling English roads deep in the heart of North Hertfordshire.

There, in the world's first garden city of Letchworth, a sporting *paragon of the Twenties, and of* Argentina in particular, is proving that there is life after immortality. The star-spangled Studebaker in John Brown's garage is the runaway *show-stopper of Broadway*, a great wide way whose trees and desirable properties affect such a detached air that the world is comprehensively snubbed as it goes by with a sprint and an eventual squeal of brakes.

Juan Manuel Fangio, for whom the world became a receding blur glimpsed over his shoulder, was but knee-high to a starting handle in a small town near Mar del Plata when this Studebaker Special Six took to the road in the spring of 1923. A year later it had taken to the track, if one may use such licence to describe 1,000 miles of bumpy ride from Buenos Aires *to Córdoba via* Rosario and back.

This was the route for the Argentine Gran Premio, the most celebrated motor race of a nation in which, even in the three years when the sport there was banned in the wake of the first *Gran Premio in* 1910, when a Delaunay-Belleville succeeded in writing off a Ford in a field of seven, impromptu races were held, frequently ending with the handing out of deserved rewards at the local police station.

At the Studebaker's wheel – an artifact in itself – was one of the pathfinders of professionalism that *was evolving in Argentine racing* in the early Twenties. Mariano de la Fuente had driven to victory a Ford on the Belgrano horse track in 1918 and a Packard in the 1921 Gran *Premio. So as to minimize* the interminable misery experienced by a previous competitor, who had to comb the countryside for horses to pull him out of a ditch, de la Fuente carried his own unditching gear with him. He also strapped spare parts to the underbelly of the cars he raced.

His success in 1921 was achieved over a shorter distance and better roads than that in 1924, when he saw off more than a score of American and European challengers. It was the third consecutive win for Studebakers and when the steamer Western World sailed from Buenos Aires for New York soon after the race the Special Six was on board, bound for the national museum at South Bend, Indiana.

There, in the showroom of the *immortals*, it remained except for spending the Second World War in storage. Juan Fangio himself had receded to vanishing point in the world's rear mirror when an *American oil company*, prospecting for a publicity prop for a campaign in Britain, spirited the Studebaker off its pedestal and across the Atlantic. It was as if Lord Kitchener were to enlist the Duke of Marlborough to fight in the first Battle of the Somme.

"The company collapsed", Mr Brown explained, "and the car went to a director, who drove it around Oulton Park and Silverstone. When a business venture of his failed he sold the car. It turned up in Bedford and there my partner, Ron Cobb, discovered it and bought it. We share it fifty-fifty."

Such is Mr Brown's respect for the relic that he has not pushed it beyond 48 miles an hour; and as an amateur racing driver who has owned a McLaren and a Delta, he is no sluggard at the wheel.

The long, lustrous aluminium body; the big, shiny wooden steering wheel and floor to match; the high-*profile* spoked wheels, their tyres narrow as a rail; the capacious copper fuel tank squatting like a beer barrel behind the driver; the overall built-like-an-ironclad look, recalling perhaps some battle wagon from an earlier Falklands engagement; and in the open driving seat a figure in helmet and goggles, a Biggles of the bitumen, cocooned *from the open-mouthed populace* by what might be called the trance of time, so far away that he could be on the road back to yesterday.

The only road back for Mariano *de la Lucnt's chariot is the road* back to the museum. This world is unfit for such heroes; even the bowery Broadway of Letchworth is too hostile a habitat. Whatever deity presides over the affairs of sporting conquistadores that have had their pedestals dashed from under them may care to make his presence felt on September 7 when Mr Brown and Mr Cobb put their extra-Special Six up for grabs in the public auction *ring* at Beaulieu.

Douglas Rae

Gloucestershire in last-ball draw

By Richard Streeton

CARDIFF: Glamorgan (9pts) drew with Gloucestershire (1).

Gloucestershire, understandably the main instigators behind a *contrived finish, came off worst* after play did not start until 4pm. There was an exciting finish, with Rodney Ontong run out off the last ball, the scores level.

A draw, though, did nothing to enhance Gloucestershire's championship hopes. Hampshire and Middlesex, their main rivals in the title race, now have a match in hand.

The umpires had misgivings about the match starting at all on a saturated field, but were overruled by the captains. Gloucestershire, who reached 123 for four on Saturday, gained a batting point *when they added 28 from seven* balls before declaring after they were fed easy runs.

Jones bowled an over of leg-side full tosses, off which Athey hit three fours and two sixes. Lawrence hit a four from another full toss by Maynard and Graveney declared.

Each side forfeited an innings and Glamorgan were left a target of 152 in 31 overs. They were 33 for four before Javed Miandad and Maynard added 67 in 11 overs.

Glamorgan needed 52 from eight overs when Maynard lifted a catch to short mid-wicket. The target had shrunk to eight runs from seven balls when Javed moved out against Graveney and gave Russell his third stumping.

Price was bowled by the first ball of the last over from Walsh and two runs were still needed from the final ball. It ran off Ontong's pads to short third man. Russell chased it and returned the ball to Walsh and Ontong was run out.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

P W Romaines lb-w b Holmes	3
J W Lloyds c and b Holmes	39
C W J Athey not out	71
P Bainbridge st Davies b Price	20
B F Davison c Hopkins b Ontong	0
D V Lawrence not out	4
Extras (b3, l-b8, w3)	14
Total (4 wkts dec, 45.1 overs)	151

K M Curran, I R Payne, R C Russell, D A Graveney and C A Walsh did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–15, 2–65, 3–115, 4–122.

BOWLING: Barwick 9-0-31-0; Holmes 11-3-29-2; Smith 8-3-18-0; Price 11-1-28-1; Ontong 5-1-6-1; Jones 1-0-24-0; Maynard 1-0-4-0.
Second innings forfeited

GLAMORGAN: First innings forfeited

Second innings

A L Jones st Russell b Lloyds	7
J A Hopkins b Walsh	12
G C Holmes c Russell b Curran	1
H Morris st Russell b Lloyds	8
Javed Miandad st Russell b Graveney	60
M P Maynard c Graveney b Walsh	38
*P G Ontong run out	14
M R Price b Walsh	1
*T Davies not out	1
Extras (b3, l-b4, n-b2)	9
Total (8 wkts)	151

I Smith and S R Barwick did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–13, 2–19, 3–28, 4–33, 5–100, 6–144, 7–145, 8–151.

BOWLING: Walsh 11-3-40-3; Curran 10-3-30-1; Graveney 10-0-45-1; Lloyds 6-1-29-2. Umpires: R A White and A G T Whitehead.

Derbyshire put up the shutters

By Ivo Tennant

FOLKESTONE: Kent (8pts) drew with Derbyshire (3)

Derbyshire, left with little option but to bat out the day, did so for the loss of seven wickets, scoring 70 runs in 83.4 overs. Underwood and Potter, Kent's left-arm spinners, bowled 67.4 overs and 50 maindens between them at a cost of 36.

Barnett, Derbyshire's captain, was in 50 overs for 14. Morris batted 44 minutes and Newman 52 for a single apiece. At one stage 14 and a half overs were bowled without a run coming off the bat. It was tedious stuff for all but the bowlers, who could maintain a cluster of close-to-the-wicket fielders *all innings*.

Six of the seven wickets to fall were taken by the spinners, who bowled with commendable accuracy on a pitch which gave them some help but it was a rare sight to see not one batsman attempt to break up the close field.

Championship table

	P	W	L	D	Bat	Bwl	Pts
Hampshire (15)	21	7	1	13	55	66	233
Glo'stershire (17)	22	7	3	12	46	74	232
Middlesex (3)	21	5	4	11	51	73	220
Surrey (8)	22	5	4	13	56	71	207
Essex (7)	22	6	2	14	38	62	196
Worcs'shire (10)	21	4	5	12	53	62	187
Nott'hamshire (2)	22	4	2	16	59	64	187
Kent (5)	22	4	5	13	48	65	177
Glamorgan (13)	23	4	4	15	43	48	163
Sussex (6)	21	4	1	16	46	51	161
Yorkshire (14)	22	3	3	16	55	54	157
Lancashire (16)	23	3	7	13	44	64	156
Warwickshire (9)	22	2	6	14	46	68	147
Derbyshire (11)	23	2	9	12	42	65	129
North'shire (11)	21	3	4	14	44	43	135
Leicestershire (4)	21	2	1	18	43	57	132
Somerset (7)	21	1	6	14	64	40	120

Worcestershire and Glamorgan records includes eight points for drawn matches in which scores finished level. 1984 positions in brackets

Notts v Lancashire

AT TRENT BRIDGE

Nottinghamshire (4 pts) drew with Lancashire (4).

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings 140 (C E B Rice 70; P J W Allott 5 for 47)

Second Innings

B C Broad c Hayes b Patterson	32
D W Randall c Varey b Folley	50
*C E B Rice retired hurt	41
D J R Martindale l-b-w b Simmons	11
J D Birch not out	13
B N French not out	2
Extras (b 1, l-b 7, w 1, n-b 4)	13
Total (4 wkts dec)	164

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–44, 2–132, 3–152, 4–178.

BOWLING: Allott 12–3–29–0; Patterson 10–1–40–1; Watkinson 7–1–18–0; Simmons 17–2–46–1; Folley 10–0–43–2.

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 126 (R J Hadlee 8 for 41).

Second Innings

M R Chadwick c Hemmings b Hadlee	10
D W Varey st French b Hemmings	28
K A Hayes l-b-w b Hemmings	55
N H Fairbrother c Rice b Hemmings	5
*J Abrahams c Broad b Hemmings	11
M Watkinson c Allford b Hemmings	14
J Simmons not out	14
tC Maynard c Broad b Hemmings	10
I Folley not out	0
Extras (b 4, l-b 8, n-b 1)	13
Total (7 wkts)	158

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–14, 2–71, 3–99, 4–109, 5–120, 6–134, 7–150.

BOWLING: Hadlee 10–0–34–1; Pick 8–1–31–0; Such 6–1–23–0; Hemmings 12–0–51–6; Rice 1–0–3–0; Allford 3–0–4–0.

Umpires: R Julian and N T Plews.

Leics v Worcs

AT LEICESTER

Leicestershire (4pts drew with Worcestershire (8).

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings 153 (P Willey 56; N V Radford 4 for 55)

Second Innings

I P Butcher l-b-w b Radford	6
J C Balderstone c Hick b Radford	0
N E Briers c Inchmore b Radford	17
* P Willey c Rhodes b McEwan	35
J J Whitaker l-b-w b Radford	4
A Ramsdale b Shastri	111
P A De Silva c Azharuddin b Shastri	33
A L F de Mel c Vaswanath b Kapil	16
R J Ratnayake l-b-w b Kapil	2
A de Silva not out	1
S Anantgarna c Vaswanath b Kapil	0
Extras (l-b 5, n-b 1)	6
Total	347

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–15, 2–29, 3–33, 4–118, 5–252, 6–317, 7–342, 8–345, 9–345, 10–347.

BOWLING: Radford 23–4–64–5; Inchmore 12–3–34–0; Patel 20–14–18–2; Weston 3–0–14–0; McEwan 10–2–27–1; Hick 4–2–11–1.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

T S Curtis l-b-w b de Freitas	65
D B d'Oliveira c Garnham b Ferris	9
G A Hick b Willey	21
D M Smith l-b-w b Willey	48
*P A Neale l-b-w b de Freitas	1
D N Patel run out	69
M J Weston c Butcher b de Freitas	78
tS J Rhodes not out	13
N V Radford not out	6
Extras (b 5, l-b 6, n-b 22)	33
Total (7 wkts dec, 97 overs)	343

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–18, 2–80, 3–160, 4–160, 5–180, 6–318, 7–324.

BOWLING: Agnew 8–1–17–0; Ferris 21–1–91–1; de Freitas 22–0–93–3; Willey 28–8–56–2; Cliff 20–1–75–0.

Umpires: J A Jameson and J Birkenshaw.

Gower's men in command

Lancashire (16pts) v Nottinghamshire (4pts) at Old Trafford

Nottinghamshire 140 (Rice 70; Allott 5 for 47) and 164 for 4 dec (Randall 50, Rice 41*, Broad 32)

Lancashire 126 (Hadlee 8 for 41) and 158 for 7 (Hayes 55, Varey 28, Hemmings 6 for 51)

Match drawn

Leicestershire (4pts) v Worcestershire (8pts) at Leicester

Leicestershire 153 (Willey 56; Radford 4 for 55) and 347 (Willey 35, Ratnayake 111, Shastri 111, Radford 5 for 64)

Worcestershire 343 for 7 dec (Curtis 65, Smith 48, Patel 69, Weston 78, Rhodes 13*)

Match drawn

Yorkshire (14pts) v Sussex (6pts) at Sheffield

Yorkshire 322 for 9 dec (Moxon 100, Bairstow 50, Jarvis 4 for 70) and 0 for 0

Sussex 178 for 5 (P J Prichard 69 not out, D E East 69 not out)

Match drawn

Kent (5pts) v Derbyshire (3pts) at Folkestone

Derbyshire 147 (Morris 44, Newman 52; Underwood 4 for 34, E A E Baptiste 4 for 48) and 70 for 7

Kent 304 for 9 dec (Cowdrey 50, Ellison 50, Taylor 50, Underwood 48, Ferreira 4 for 70)

Match drawn

Somerset (7pts) v Hampshire (13pts) at Taunton

Somerset 275 for 4 (I V A Richards 112, P M Roebuck 80) and 0 for 0

Hampshire 218 (S M Gavaskar 61, A L F de Mel 5 for 64) and 58 for 1 (C G Greenidge 25*)

Match drawn

Glamorgan (13pts) v Gloucestershire (1pt) at Cardiff

Gloucestershire 123 for 4 dec (Athey 71*) and 152 for 8 dec (Lloyds 39, Graveney 4 for 48)

Glamorgan 52 for 3 (Javed Miandad 19*) and 152 for 7 (Maynard 38, Ontong 33, Walsh 4 for 41)

Glamorgan won by 3 wkts

Middlesex (3pts) v Surrey (8pts) at Lord's

Middlesex 255 for 9 dec (Gatting 70, Downton 50, Edmonds 4 for 71) and 0 for 0

Surrey 207 for 9 dec (Lynch 50, Clarke 50, Edmonds 4 for 71)

Match drawn

Nottinghamshire (4pts) v Lancashire (16pts) at Trent Bridge

Nottinghamshire 140 (C E B Rice 70; P J W Allott 5 for 47) and 164 for 4 dec (Randall 50, Rice 41*, Broad 32)

Lancashire 126 (Hadlee 8 for 41) and 158 for 7 (Hayes 55, Varey 28, Hemmings 6 for 51)

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Leicestershire (4pts) v Worcestershire (8pts) at Leicester

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Match drawn

Bowlers torment India

Colombo. (Reuter) – Rumesh Ratnayake, the Sri Lanken fast bowler, put India under pressure by taking two wickets in four balls in the final session of play on the fourth day of the first Test match here yesterday. At the close India, trailing by 129 runs after the first innings, had crawled to 153 for four.

INDIA: First Innings 218 (S M Gavaskar 61, A L F de Mel 5 for 64)

Second Innings

L Rajput c Silva b Ratnayake	61
K Srikkanth c Silva b Ratnayake	9
M Azharuddin l-b-w b Ahengarne	16
D B Vengsarkar not out	42
S M Gavaskar c de Mel b Ratnayake	0
R J Shastri not out	17
Extras (l-b 2, n-b 6)	8
Total (4 wkts)	153

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–23, 2–54, 3–130, 4–130.

BOWLING: (to date): de Mel 18-0-58-0; Ratnayake 21-6-41-3; Ahangarne 14-6-26-1; A de Silva 15-8-20-0; Ranatunga 4-1-5-0.

SRI LANKA: First Innings:

S Wettimuny c Viswanath b Chetan Sharma	13
tS A R Silva c Azharuddin b Chetan Sharma	7
R S Madugalle c and b Maninder	108
R L Dias c Azharuddin b Chetan Sharma	4
*L R G Mendis c Gavaskar b Maninder	51
A Ranatunga b Shastri	111
P A De Silva c Azharuddin b Shastri	33
A L F de Mel c Vaswanath b Kapil	16
R J Ratnayake l-b-w b Kapil	2
A de Silva not out	1
S Anangarna c Vaswanath b Kapil	0
Extras (l-b 5, n-b 1)	6
Total	367

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–23, 2–23, 3–52, 4–56, 5–82, 6–130, 7–137, 8–159, 9–166.

BOWLING: Radford 23–4–64–5; Inchmore 12–3–34–0; Patel 20–14–18–2; Weston 3–0–14–0; McEwan 10–2–27–1; Hick 4–2–11–1.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

T S Curtis l-b-w b de Freitas	65
D B d'Oliveira c Garnham b Ferris	9
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Total (7 wkts dec, 97 overs)	343

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–18, 2–80, 3–160, 4–160, 5–180, 6–318, 7–324.

BOWLING: Agnew 8–1–17–0; Ferris 21–1–91–1; de Freitas 22–0–93–3; Willey 28–8–56–2; Cliff 20–1–75–0.

Umpires: J A Jameson and J Birkenshaw.

KENT: First Innings

M R Benson, c Marples, b Holding	4
S G Kniks, b Russell	24
C J Tavare, c Marples, b Mortensen	33
N R Taylor, b Newman	25
*C S Cowdrey, l-b-w, b Holding	62
E A E Baptiste, c Anderson, b Russell	71
L Potter, c Marples, b Mortensen 4	4
G R Cowdrey, c Newman, b Holding	33
† S N V Waterton, not out	16
G R Dilley, not out	18
Extras (b 2, l-b 7, n-b 1)	10
Total (8 wkts dec, 95.1 overs)	300

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–14, 2–31, 3–72, 4–131, 5–169, 6–188, 7–249, 8–285.

BOWLING: Holding, 31-4-114-3; Mortensen, 18-6-54-2; Russell, 25.1-5-67-2; Newman, 11-4-20

FOOTBALL: TWO UNBEATEN TEAMS MEET AT OLD TRAFFORD

Chance for Barnes to shine at home

Peter Barnes makes his first appearance at Old Trafford for the League leaders Manchester United against Newcastle United tonight. The former England winger continues to deputize for the injured Olsen in the side which beat Nottingham Forest on Saturday.

United's manager Ron Atkinson said: "Peter spent two or three years playing with teams who perhaps did not recognize his talents. Perhaps he has learned a few things as well. Certainly if he can't play well with the team we have here he will never make it again." Duxbury continues at right back in place of Gidman, who will be out for at least six weeks with a hairline fracture of his left leg.

Newcastle, unbeaten in their five first division games this season, hope to be unchanged. McCreery has recovered from a ricked back and will face his old club, leaving Stewart's hamstring as the only problem. Davies, signed from Manchester United for £50,000 during the summer, has been ruled out because of hamstring trouble.

Aston Villa hope to have Gray back for the derby against West Bromwich Albion at the Hawthorns. He is given a good chance of recovering from his ankle injury, and the Villa manager, Graham Turner, also continues to hope for the return of Williams. Evans and Gibson.

West Bromwich, who are at the foot of the first division, could welcome back Grealish and Crooks. Both players have missed the team's last four games after being injured on the opening day of the season. Robertson has recovered from a hamstring injury and returns to the defence.

Johnny Giles, the West Bromwich manager, hopes to complete the signing of Fulham's midfield player, Houghton, after further talks today.

Chiedozie replaces Galvin against Chelsea at White Hart Lane as Tottenham Hotspur try to halt a run of three successive defeats. It will be the Nigerian international's first full game of the season and he will be asked to play in the middle alongside Falco rather than his usual flank role. Chelsea, unbeaten in their five matches so far, are unchanged.

Brighton's manager Chris Cattlin is so worried about low sales for tonight's all-ticket home match against Leeds United, that he decided to work in the club's ticket office himself until 10 o'clock last night. Only 6,000 tickets have been sold for the game at the Goldstone Ground.



Chiedozie: replaces Galvin for Tottenham against Chelsea

Romanians go defensive

Bucharest (Reuter) – Mircea Lucescu, the Romanian manager, has included Ion Andone, Mircea Irimescu and Ion Zare, the hard-tackling defenders, in his squad for the World Cup qualifying game against England, the group three leaders, at Wembley next Wednesday.

None of the three played in last week's 2-0 home win over Finland which put the Romanians into second place in the table.

Lucescu's emphasis on defence in understandable. England having scored 15 goals in their five group games so far. Gheorghe Hagi and Dorin Mateut, scorers in the vital win over Finland, are in the squad.

ROMANIA: D Moraru, S Lung, M Rednic, N Nagrila, G Iorguiescu, C Stefanescu, I Andone, S Iovan, N Ungureanu, D Mateut, L Boloni, M Irimescu, I Zare, G Hagi, R Camataru, M Cores, R Gabor, M Lacatus.

● Ankara (Reuter) – Coskun Ozari, Turkey's new manager, yesterday named a 19-man squad for the World Cup qualifying game against Northern Ireland next Wednesday. The Turks go into the game in the Aegean town of Izmir still seeking their first point on group three.

TURKEY: Y Duran, E Arica, M Yetkiner, A Durmaz, S Coru, I Tufekci, Z Tuzun, M Pekin, R Cetiner, I Demiriz, E Kesser, A Pecenek, S Ustaomer, B Bunes, H Vezir, S Ozden, R Dimen, T Colak, O Kapucu.

● Zurich (Reuter) – Switzerland yesterday called up a 17 year-old forward, Alain Sutter, to their squad for the World Cup qualifying game against the Republic of Ireland as Paul Wolfisberg, the national soccer coach, continued his search for a consistent goalscorer.

Wolfisberg also recalled Robert Luethi, a roward, and Philippe Perret, a midfield player, to his 20-man squad for the group six match in Berne.

Sutter has made only six first division appearances for Grasshopper Zurich after his transfer to the former Swiss champions from a minor league club. Luethi hit four goals including three in six-minutes and Perret scored twice in Neuchatel Xamax's 9-1 thrashing of FC Zurich last Saturday.

Wolfisberg will be hoping they can transfer this form to the international arena and compensate for the absence of Claudio Sulser who is still incapacitated.

SWITZERLAND: K Engel, E Burgener, A Egli, C In-Albon, H Luedi, M Schaellibaum, R Wehrli, Bregy, M Decastel, A Geiger, P Perret, H Hermann, M Koller, H Zwicker, M Brachler, J-P Brigger, D Cina, R Luethi, C Matthey, A Sutter.

Champions cut title pretenders to size

By Clive White

Sheffield Wednesday.....1
Everton.....5

Everton foiled Sheffield Wednesday's attempt to go top of the first division for the first time in 18 years with a display that was as impressive in its team world as anything the champions conjured from their vast repertoire last season.

Neither side could have had a much sharper test of their hopes and dreams in the season. For Wednesday it was a matter of whether they were anything more than a 17-day wonder; for Everton it was more a case of whether their thirst for success had not been quenched after passing last season's saturation level.

Wednesday, of course, had proved last season that they are a formidable side, but Everton had also proved their match here last time, as they had on each taller during the summer with the addition of the 6ft 1in Thompson from West Bromwich Albion.

Everton, to combat the height in attack, had exchanged Heath for Sharp, who is seven inches taller. But their chief problem was at the other end and they might have fared little better had they played Heath on Mountfield shoulders.

Thompson and Chapman won almost everything above head height and Lyons was often around to supplement that area of strength. Therefore it was no surprise when Wednesday went ahead in the 22nd minute. Marwood's cross was headed back by Chapman and with Thompson's following header beating an over-worked defence, Bracewell, the Everton midfield player, punched the ball clear from under his own crossbar.

His impressive reflexes were rewarded with a booking from George Courtney, the referee, and then Marwood further erased his effort by sending Southall the wrong way with a penalty.

Everton, shaken, stirred themselves into action with Sharp working hard to prove himself alongside Lineker, his replacement so far this season, in the championship team. Shelton had to clear his lines from one of the Scottish players headers before Mountfield, their prolific goal scoring centre back, brought them level by finishing off from close range the approach work of Sheedy and Steven.

Everton's continuing response to the early Wednesday onslaught was hugely impressive. Manchester United will have to maintain an exceptional standard to wrest the title from Goodison Park.

Three times within the space of 14 minutes midway through the second half Everton firmly underlined their supremacy with goals by Steven and Lineker twice.

One of those teasing, turning crosses from Sheedy started it all. Worthington fumbled his clearance to Sharp, who, showing remarkable composure with their first-team future under threat, played a delightfully simple ball to Steven, and that was that.

Then, in the 63rd minute, Lineker, who confesses to being no great menace in the air, ironically in a match of this kind, proceeded to score the first of two with his head.

The first was a picturesque diving header to a cross by Stevens and the second a much more subtle one to Sharp's excellent cross.

With seven minutes left Heath, coming on as substitute for Reid, rammed in the final goal from a corner by Sheedy.

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY: M Hodge; M Sterland, N Worthington, P Shirliff, M Lyons, P Hart, B Marwood, G Thompson, L Chapman, S Jonsson, G Shelton.
EVERTON: N Southall; G Stevens, P Van Den Hauwe, K Ratcliffe, D Mountfield, P Reid, T Steven, G Lineker, G Sharp, P Bracewell, K Sheedy
Referee: G Courtney (Spennymoor).

Last night's results

FIRST DIVISION: Birmingham City 1, Manchester City 0; Coventry City 5, Oxford United 2; Liverpool 2, Nottingham Forest 0; Queen's Park Rangers 0, Arsenal 1; Southampton 1, West Ham United 1.

SECOND DIVISION: Huddersfield Town 0, Blackburn Rovers 0; Shrewsbury Town 1, Portsmouth 1.

RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCH: Exeter 13, Gloucester 38.

● The Football League are close to announcing a six-figure sponsorship deal for their new cup competition for the English clubs banned from Europe after the Brussels tragedy.

Pacemaker's carrot is edible – but is it ethical?



Hounds without hares: Filbert Bayi breasting the tape in his Commonwealth record 1,500 metres in 1974 and Herb Elliott doing likewise for a new world time at the 1960 Olympics

Peter Rabbit runs with his tail up in IAAF Bugs Bunny Show

Rome

Peter Churney says he is the most famous rabbit since Buggs Bunny. Churney, an American miler with a rare sense of humour, is referring to his role of pacemaker in several recent world record attempts. In Britain, pacemakers are usually called "hares", but the American term of "rabitt" is spreading as quickly as dollars throughout the sport.

Confusion over the terms once caused a memorable journalistic error. Mistaking the reference in an American agency report of how poor pacemaking had almost prevented Peter Snell breaking Herb Elliott's world mile record with 3 min 54.4 sec in 1962, an over-zealous Fleet Street newsman wrote that Snell had almost tripped over a real rabbit.

Churney's story is even better for being true. Invited to "rabbit" the mile at an indoor meeting in Los Angeles last March, he sent the crowd and his fellow milers into hysterics by producing a dozen carrots, complete with leafy stalks from under his track top and flinging them into the auditorium when the announcer presented him.

Pacemaking of a kind goes right back to the birth of the sport. The first cross-country clubs in the 1860s were designated "Hare and Hounds", the hare setting a paper trail for the hounds to follow.

But pacemaking in world record attempts is relatively recent. One of the first hares, Lennart Strand, did what all of them dream about: he became a successful hound. The swede paced his famous compariots, Gundar Haegg and Arne Andersson, when, in neutral Sweden during the Second World War, they in turn brought the world mile record down by five seconds to 4 min 01.4 sec.

A decade later Roger Bannister was paced to the first sub-four minutes by Chris Chataway and Chris Brasher, themselves to become a world record holder and Olympic champion respectively. But, although its momentousness might plead mitigation, that historic four-minute mile propagated a dangerous myth, that world records in distance races can be broken only with the assistance of pacemakers.

There have been marvellous exceptions, notably Elliott's 3 min 35.6 sec world record when winning the 1960 Olympic 1,500 metres title. But none was more glorious than Filbert Bayi. Small in stature but gigantic in courage, Bayi won the 1974 Commonwealth 1,500 metres title by leading all the way and taking almost a second off Jim Ryun's world record.

Bayi' 3 min 32.2 sec stood until 1979 when Sebastian Coe, with a pacemaker, knocked one-tenth of a second off it. Eleven years and a legion of pacemakers later, Said Aouita's record of 3 min 29.45 sec is still less than three seconds faster than Bayi.

Theoretically, pacemaking is against IAAF laws. But they admit that it is impossible to prove that an athlete has not been making a fair effort. Yet race organizers announce pacemakers nowadays; and, apart from the disquieting feeling that this is cheating, the most disturbing facet about pacemaking is that athletes are being paid to lose races.

Churney accepts the promoters' arguments that, as a 4min 01sec miler, he is not good enough to get into the race proper, and that not only is this valuable experience both in pacing and financial terms, but it will probably ensure him a lane of his own next year. But he was disappointed yesterday that he could not have a proper race in the mile in Rieti today: "3:59.9 would do." Instead he has been told to pace Aouita's attempt on Steve Cram's world 2,000 metres record.

But the other astounding factor this year has been the world-class milers who have been prepared to become rabbits to ensure that the early pace made by an athlete like Churney is maintained on the crucial third lap of middle-distance races.

When Cram set the first of this sason's world 1,500 metres records in Nice, Omar Khalifa, an Olympic finalist last year, paced the third lap. Frank O'Mara, another world-class miler, did the same for Aouita in Berlin. Mike Hillardt, the Australian champion and record-holder, took Cram to the bell in Oslo for his mile record. And Sydney Maree only just failed to get the 1,500 metres record in Cologne after Abdi Bile Abdi, a potential champion himself in the next two years, towed Maree through. Records have been broken but the infield has looked like the aftermath of myxomatosis.

But it is common knowledge that the pacemaker gets paid extra, with a bonus if a record is broken.

Being paid to pace is getting uncomfortably close to the sort of race-fixing between top athletes in competition, of which there have been strong suspicions in two or three instances during the last decade. For the good of the sport and everyone in it the IAAF and the promoters need another review of those laws relating to pacemakming.

Pat Butcher

RUGBY UNION

A tonic for the game by French company

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

Though it is only a few days into a new rugby season, it should not be long before some shape is given to England's squad for the international championship which begins in January. The selectors hope to pick a squad shortly for training at Twickenham during the weekend of October 12-13.

Sunday's charity match at Headingley indicated that some of the skills learned by England in New Zealand have been retained; the game also suggested that Bath's pre-season training has been effective, judging by the pace and thought generated by Hill, Barnes and Halliday in the international XV's back division. The international prospects of all three should benefit by playing regular club rugby together.

The appointment of a coaching assistant to England's senior side has been reflected at divisional level in the North, where David Robinson will be helped by Alan Old, and in London where Roger Uttley teams up with the divisional reins from Alan Black upon the latter's appointment as London's divisional technical administrator.

Robertson, who has coached England colts and is a former wing, will have responsibility for the backs. The only divisional coach who was himself a back is Alan Davies, of Nottingham, who has taken over the Midlands after Martin Green's elevation to the England post.

At a less exalted level the French company, Pernod, are to inject £30,000 into English junior clubs over the season. They are introducing a competition which has been running in France for 12 years, called Try Period Attack, aimed at encouraging try-scoring.

Of the 27 constituent bodies who run county cup competitions, 26 have agreed to implement the scheme which was launched yesterday. The 27th, Gloucestershire, already have a not dissimilar sponsorship from Flowers, the brewers. The winners in each constituent area will be the club with the highest average of tries per game, though there is a limit of six tries in case of blatant mis-matches.

There will be four awards in each cup competition, consisting of kit and equipment. Pernod's involvement is for a minimum of three years, by which time perhaps a more logical club structure will have been established in England; interestingly, the country's first league match, in the Girobank League for north-west clubs on Sunday, resulted in a 15-3 win for Cockermouth over Kirkby Lonsdale and a crowd ten times its normal size.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Groves to be captain

By Keith Macklin

Paul Groves, who last season was the youngest captain in the league with Salford, has been chosen to captain the Great Britain under-21 team against New Zealand at Bradford on October 9. Groves is only 20 and is the Salford Club captain this season with the older loose forward, John Pendlebury, as team captain.

The young Wigan half-back partnership of Shaun Edwards and Michael Ford are given the job for Great Britain. A big doubt in the selection is Brian Carbert, the Warrington wing three quarter, who has a torn cartilage

TEAM: D Lyon, (Widnes); A Dalton (Whitehaven), D Creasser (Leeds), M Forster (Warrington), B Carbert (Warrington), S Edwards (Wigan), M Ford (Wigan), B Hill (Leeds), P Groves (Salford), S Ware (Wigan), R Powell (Leeds), J Lyman (Featherstone Rovers), G Divorty (Hull). Substitutes: D Hulme (Widnes), J Westhead (Leigh).

● Ellery Hanley, the Bradford Northern half-back, who scored 55 tries last season, has asked to be placed on the transfer list after refusing to turn out for the club at Warrington last Sunday.

● Sydney, (Reuter). – Lee Crooks, the England prop forward, escaped a ban when he appeared before the New South Wales Rugby League judiciary last night. He was sent off for throwing a punch while playing for Western Suburbs against Canterbury-Bankstown on Sunday. Crooks was given a severe caution.

Centenary of football's most outlandish scoreline

The great Gayfield goal spree

Even although the match is part of the celebrations to mark the centenary of football's most outlandish scoreline, there is no truth in the rumour that Derek Jackson, the Arbroath goalkeeper, will, if it is raining, carry an umbrella with him when his team play Dundee United this Sunday.

It was on September 12, 1885, that Arbroath whacked Aberdeen Bon Accord by the oft-quoted record score of 36-0 and the home goalkeeper, according to a report in an *Arbroath Herald* of that time, "enjoyed perfect rest and spent most of the game under the kindly shelter of a friend's umbrella."

Times, of course, have changed for Arbroath since those halcyon days and, in view of the difference in stature of the clubs, it was considered tempting fate and the anger of the powerful United for the Arbroath custodian to joke with premier division opponents.

Still, there is a carnival atmosphere in the old grey seaside town this week, the challenge match for a special trophy is only part of the celebrations being held.

It is a unique anniversary for the 36-0 drubbing of Bon Accord in a first round Scottish Cup tie is never likely to be surpassed.

The local postman has been wearing a path to the door of Gayfield, the trim ground of the club known as the "Red Lichties", after an appeal had been made, following the destruction of Arbroath's own records in a fire, for facts and figures about events surrounding the incredible scoreline.

It emerges that the hero of the game was a short and slender stripling of 18, one John Petrie who had joined Arbroath a few weeks earlier from Strathmore Juniors. Apparently he was, despite his lack of weight and height, a goalkeeper's terror.

No one was more ready to bundle goalkeepers over the line and in an era when goalkeepers were not reckoned "untouchable" little John had a field day.

The man who later became trainer and groundsman for Arbroath scored a record number of goals, 13. He recalled that the half-time score was 15-0 and 21 more were added in the second half.

Hapless goalkeeper a picture of woe

The story of an Aberdeen plasterer, Sidney Lornie and his wife, Olive, is, however, more rueful than heroic. It emerged from the soccer memorabilia which flooded into Gayfield Park.

On the same day that Arbroath recorded their record win, only a few miles down the coast at Dundee, another team from Aberdeen, the Rovers, proved their defence, too, had not been constructed from granite, and were thrashed 35-0 by Dundee Harps, also in the first round of the Scottish Cup.

Sidney Lornie's grandfather, Andrew, was the hapless goalkeeper who lost his back picking the ball so often out of the Bon Accord net. Amazingly, who should have been playing in goal for Aberdeen Rovers but Olive's own grandfather, William Wilson.

Poor William, again according to the *Abroath Herald*, was "a perfect picture for Hogarth, seemingly, on a day on which it rained cats and dogs, quite paralysed and during the second half made little or no effort to stop the progress of the ball."

Contrast that picture of woe with a portrait of contentment as Jim Milne, in the Arbroath goal, did not have a single shot to save and dozed under his friend's umbrella. It was indeed a massacre of the innocents and suspicion lingers that Bon Accord were not a football club at all.

After all, it transpired that Bon Accord were not even properly geared for the game, either in strip or dedication. In contrast to their opponents' neat maroon shirts and white pants, the Aberdonians wore an assortment of ordinary shirts and trousers and none possessed football boots.

But Arbroath just laugh at stories that Bon Accord were really the Aberdeen Orion Cricket Club who had been invited in mistake for the Orion Football Club to take part in the soccer tournament, a story strengthened by the fact that Bon Accord sought to conceal its absence of a soccer pitch by refusing the option of home advantage and travelling to Arbroath for the tie.

It's their week and their record and the couthie football fans of Arbroath are celebrating in style.

Hugh Taylor

GOLF

Pressure is on Stewart to recapture her form

By Mitchell Platts

Gillian Stewart is well aware that she must successfully defend the IBM European women's Open, which starts at Kingswood, Surrey, today, to hold a realistic chance of leading the 1985 Order of Merit at the end of the season.

Yet when the current campaign began four months ago, it appeared reasonable to assume that Miss Stewart would graduate to No 1 in her opening season as a professional. Miss Stewart won the opening tournament, the Ford Classic, but 14 events later, she has winnings of £11,969 compared with the £17,200 of Laura Davies, who holds the No 1 position.

Miss Stewart says: "After winning the Ford, I obviously thought that there was a good chance of becoming No 1. I've had seven top 10 finishes in the 10 events in which I've played, but I have not played as well as I did in the Ford event. I suppose it has been harder than I originally thought."

Even so, Miss Stewart had every reason for feeling confident about her opening season. Twelve months ago, while still an amateur, she unexpectedly won the IBM European Open after a play-off with Penny Grice, who, incidentally, also turned professional at the start of this season.

Miss Stewart adds: "I don't think that I realized how embarrassing it was for the professionals when I won this tournament last year. Now I am on the other side, I am determined to make certain that it does not happen again.

What makes another amateur victory unlikely is the continual improvement of the standard of play on the women's PGA tour. Cathy Panton, twice a winner this season, explains: "The growth of the tour, with more tournaments and more prizemoney, has make the players realize that dedication and determination are as important now as natural talent. It is much harder to win."

Meanwhile, Miss Davies, like Miss Stewart a "rookie" this season, must start as the favourite, especially since the Kingswood course, which measures 5,832 yards for this event, with a par of 73, is in her home county of Surrey.

HORSE TRIALS

Mrs Clarke favourite to fill fourth place

By Jenny MacArthur

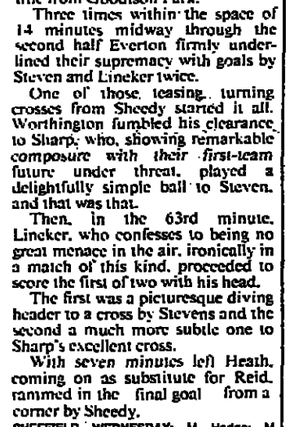
Lorna Clarke, with Myross, is likely to be the fourth member of the British team for the European three-day event championships which start tomorrow at Burghley in Lincolnshire after the withdrawal of Rodney Powell and Pomeroy on Monday. Mrs Clarke, a member of the team who won the silver medal at the last European championships in 1983, has been consistently placed on Myross over the last year and was ninth at Badminton in April.

The other two riders in contention for the place are Clarissa Strachan (Delphy Dazzle) and Madeleine Gurdon (The Done Thing), who was added to the reserve list when Powell had to pull out. The selectors will make their decision after the official first inspection of horses at Burghley this evening.

Powell said on Monday that Pomeroy, who is owned by Michael Kent, has a suspected injury to his off-fore splint bone. When he trotted up in front of the vet on Monday at Wylye in Wiltshire, where the team train, he was "slightly sore" and after a thorough examination this was attributed to the splint bone. The 10-year-old horse is going to have a bone scan.

It is the second big disappointment in Powell's career. Two years ago he was dropped from the Young Riders' team 10 days before the start of the European championships because the splint on Pomeroy's leg was forming. Powell has long nursed the ambition to "wear the flag" – a reference to the Union Jack which riders in official British teams are entitled to wear. "It was finally given the flag at Wylye just before the vet came but I've had to give it back," Powell said.

The British riders for the Young Riders' European three-day event championships at Le Lion d'Angers in France from September 12 to 15 are: Hector James (V. Ashbourne), Horton Venture (R. Bevan), Friday Fox (R. Hunt), Another Fred (C. Oseman), Running Bear (K. Straker) and Jimney Cricket (A-M. Taylor).



Lorna Clarke: consistent

● Captain Mark Phillips, on Cartier, and Mark Todd, New Zealand's Olympic individual gold medallist, on Joint Venture, are among 223 entries for the Osverton Remy Martin three-day event near Worksop from September 20 to 22.

CRICKET: The former Bradford Park Avenue football ground could be turned into a new indoor school. Bradford City council are considering offering the site to Yorkshire County Cricket Club.

VOLLEYBALL: A 15-strong team from Oxford University are on tour in the Soviet Union. At least four games will be played against top college teams.

WORLD STUDENT GAMES

North Korea return to win gold

Kobe, Japan (Agenises) – North Korea, in their first international tournament after a two-year ban, won the football competition by beating Uruguay 1-0 in the final yesterday.

There was a touch of comedy about the goal, in the forty first minute. The Uruguayan winger, Ramirez, tried to hook the ball clear, after it had smiled over from a corner, and succeeded only in deflecting it into his own net.

FIFA banned North Korea after their players had assaulted the referee in a semi-final against Kuwait in the Asian Games in New Delhi in 1982.

Khomitchus sank a three-point jump shot with three seconds remaining to give the Soviet Union a 96-93 victory over the United States in the basketball final.

The Soviet Union won the water polo gold medal, beating Yugoslavia 9-7.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL
Kick-off 7.30 unless stated
Milk Cup
First round; second leg
(First round scores in brackets)
Chester (3) v Tranmere (1)
Exeter (1) v Plymouth (2)
Hartlepool (0) v Derby (3)
Lincoln (1) v York (2)
Skol Cup
Quarter-finals
Aberdeen v Hearts
Dundee U v St Mirren
Hamilton v Rangers
Hibernian v Celtic
First division
Leicester v Watford (7.45)
Manchester U v Newcastle
Tottenham v Chelsea (8.0)
West Bromwich v Aston Villa
Second division
Brighton v Leeds (7.45)
Stoke v Grimsby
GOLA LEAGUE: Boston v Wealdstone; Cheltenham v Telford; Kettering v Enfield; Scarborough v Barrow.
Multipart League: Gateshead v Gainsborough; Mossley v Southport; Rhyl v Caernarfon; Worksop v Macclesfield.
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Bill Dellow Cup: First Round: Alvechurch v Coventry Sporting; Cambridge City v Chelmsford; King's Lynn v Rugby; Vale-Oak v Shepshed Charterhouse; Poole v Salisbury; R S Southampton v Trowbridge; Rushden v Wellingborough; Tonbridge v Woodford.
CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division (7.0): Blackburn v Manchester Utd; Nottingham Forest v Huddersfield; Sheffield U v Liverpool; Wigan v Hull (7.30) Second division (7.0): Blackpool v Notts County; Bradford v Burnley (7.30); Doncaster v Sunderland, Middlesbrough v York; Oldham v Coventry; Port Vale v Scunthorpe
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Arsenal v Southampton (7.0); Bristol Rovers v Swansea (2.30); Charlton v Luton (7.0); Ipswich v Queen's Park Rangers (2.0); Norwich v Crystal Palace; Oxford U v Tottenham; Reading v Millwall (2.0); Watford v Birmingham.
VAUXHALL-OPELL LEAGUE: Second division south: Horsham v Eastbourne United; Petersfield v Wokingham; Ruislip Manor v Flackwell Heath.
LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Collier Row v Crown and Manor; Edgware v Hanwell Town.
HALLS BREWERY HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division (6.0): Abingdon Town v Wantage; Morrison v Bicester (7.0); Morris Motors v Abingdon United; Sharpness v Almondsbury Greenway; Shortwood v Supermarine; Thame v Rayners Lane; Yate v Fairford.
IRISH CUP: Cliftonville v Coleraine (6.0).
FA TROPHY: Preliminary round replays: Accrington Stanley v Lancaster; Llanelli v Bristol Manor Farm; V S Rugby v Ilkeston.

CRICKET
Britannic Assurance County championship (11.0-6.30)
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Northamptonshire
FOLKESTONE: Kent v Hampshire
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Middlesex
THE OVAL: Surrey v Sussex
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Somerset
Asda Trophy (11.0-7.30)
SCARBOROUGH: Yorkshire v Derbyshire
SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: MIDDLESTON: Lancashire v Nottinghamshire; Watford Town: Middlesex v Essex; Taunton: Somerset v Hampshire; Purley: Surrey v Sussex; Edgbaston: Warwickshire v Yorkshire.

RUGBY UNION
CLUB MATCHES: Cheltenham v Bristol (7.0); Coventry v Walsall (7.15); Glamorgan Wanderers v Cardiff (7.15); Kendal v Sale; Liverpool v Stoke (6.30); Newport v Penarth (7.0); Richmond v Saracens; St Helens v Orrell; Waterloo v Metropolitan Police (6.30); West Hartlepool v Sunderland (7.0).
OTHER MATCHES: Berkshire RFU v Alberta (at Bracknell RFC, 6.0); Launceston v Public School Wanderers (7.0).

RUGBY LEAGUE
FIRST DIVISION: Featherstone v Bradford, Hull KR v Dewsbury, Oldham v Swinton, St Helens v Warrington, Salford v Wigan; Widnes v Halifax; York v Hull (6.30)
SECOND DIVISION: Batley v Huddersfield (6.45); Doncaster v Bramley (7.0), Hunslet v Mansfield Marksmen, Keighley v Carlisle; Wakefield v Runcorn Highcom.
YORKSHIRE CUP: Preliminary round: Castleford v Sheffield.

OTHER SPORT
CROQUET: President's Cup (at Hurlingham).
GOLF: IBM Ladies European Open (at Kingswood GC, Surrey); Midlands women's amateur championship (at Cavendish GC, Buxton)
MOTORCYCLING: Manx 250 and 500 GP (Isle of Man)

SQUASH RACKETS: Jonah Barrington has signed to play for the London club Cannons in the American Express Premier League this season. Two new clubs will be competing in the league this season. Ardleigh Hall, from Colchester, include Hiddy Jahan and Del Harris and Chapel Allerton, will be led by David Pearson. Redwood Lodge have signed up the Egyptian Gamal Awad while the champions Manchester Northern will be looking to Ricki Hill and Geoff Williams.

RACING RESULTS

Hamilton Park

Going: heavy
Flag start all races

2.15 (5f) 1. WILLOW SPRINGS (S Perks, 10-1); 2. Ambrosini (T Ives, 9-4); 3. Skybird (G Baxter, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 2 fav Withstyle, 7 Pretty Sight (6th); 12 Helen's Pleasure (4th), 16 Timon Hill (5th), 33 Astunana NR: Carousel Rocket, Deputy Monarch. 8 ran. 1½l, 10l, 12l, hd, ½l, R Hollinshead at Upper Longdon. TOTE: £5.90, £1.40, £2.60, £1.00. DF: £6.90. CSF: £31.06.

2.45 (6f) 1. PENTOFF (S P Griffiths, 10-1), 2. King Cole (M Fry, 12-1); 3. Qualitairess (G Carter, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Thatchville, 7 London Leader, 15-2 Recollect, 11 Sandy Reef (6th), Glen Glory (4th), 14 John Gaipin (5th), 20 Silent Gain, 33 Sardar, Trailfinder, 66 Sunny Free, Maundy Gift 14 ran. Sh hd, 4l, 1½l, ¾l 4l, D Chapman at Sillington. TOTE: £16.80; £3.70, £4.90, £3.20. DF: £239.80. CSF: £106.05. Tricast: £1,003.28.

3.15 (5f) 1. PROVINCIAL DAWN (K Darley, 2-1 fav), 2. St Croix Castle (R Cochrane, 4-1); 3. Music Teacher (S P Griffiths, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 Vassa (5th), 13-2 Planter (4th), 16 Pokeree (8th) Nr: Musical Aid, Balnenno. 6 ran. 1¼l, ¾l, 3l, 6l, 1l. J Berry at Cockerham. TOTE: £2.10; £1.10, £2.50. DF: £4.60. CSF: £9.14. Followed a Stewards inquiry the placings remained unaltered.

3.45 (1m 40yds) 1. LADY ABWAH (G Baxter, 7-2); 2. Darcy Farrow (S P Griffiths, 12-1), 3. Lochtest (M Birch, 3-1 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 3 jt-fav Wappy Springs (4th); Lucky Sara (5th), 14 Fire Hazard (6th), 33 Knitwit, 7 ran. 4l, 2l, 10l, 15l, M Brittain at Warthill TOTE: £4.00; £1.50, £2.10 DF £15.00 CSF: £36.49. No bid.

4.15 (1m 4f) 1. BARONCOURT (Paul Eddery, 10-11 fav), 2. Giles Y Dorian (R Chrane, 5-1); 3. Loch Laddie (W Ryan, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Manner's Star (4th), 10 Borodino (5th), 33-1 Lovely Butterfly (6th), Vera Reppin, Wentworth Parade. 8 ran. NR: Pay Back, 10l, 6l, 8l, 15l H Cecil at Newmarket. TOTE: £2.70; £1.10, £1.50, £1.50. £4.90. DF: £2.30. CSF: £3.75.

4.45 (1m 1f) 1. MISTER POINT (M Birch, 9-1); 2. Vasconhelos (K Hodgson, 10-1), 3. Carolynchristensen (G Carter, 7-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 fav Hermits Wood (6th), Assonant, Brockland Lady, Conwy River, 9 Watford Gap, 10 Albaciyna, 12 Qualitair Boy (4th), 16 Marsillana (5th), 11 ran. 2½l, sh hd, nk, ¾l, 3l C Tinkler at Malton. TOTE: £11.80; £2.10, £6.90, £2.40, DF: £122.20. CSF: £77.90. Tricast: £537.74
PLACEPOT: £248.45.

Fontwell Park

Going: Good to firm.

2.0 (2m 2f hdle) 1. Red Ambion (Llesa Long, 20-1), 2. Rusty Fern (3-1); 3. Friday Street (25-1) Shatterfield (11-4 fav) 11 ran. Nk, 10l, J Long. TOTE: £48.10; £7.80, £1.40, £3.20. DF £81.90. CSF: £73.83. Tricast: £1,373.65

2.30 (2m 2f hdle) 1. Capstrano Prince (E Murphy, 15-2), 2. Tremar Lad (9-1); 3. Copper Express (3-1). Bright Fellow (13-8 fav), ¾l, 3l 11 ran. F Gray. TOTE: £12.00; £3.10, £1.90, £1.50 DF: £40.20 CSF: £85.64.

3.0 (2m 2f ch) 1. Revalver (R Dunwoody, 11-4 jt fav); 2. Donaghmoyne (13-2); 3. Swift Royale (11-4 jt fav), 12l, 6l 9 ran. S Woodman. TOTE: £2.20; £1.40, £2.60, £1.80 DF: £17.90. CSF: £19.53

3.30 (2m 2f hdle) 1. Bartra (G Moore, 5-1); 2. No Hack (16-1); 3. Taqdir (9-2). Royal Craftsman (11-4 fav), ¾l, 30l (6 ran). A Moore. Tote: £8.10; £2.20, £5.70. £2.30 DF: £83.10. CSF: £89.61

4.00 (2m 2f ch) 1. Hubill (R Rowe, 11-10 fav); 2. Celtic Story (9-2), 3. Arc-Owen (5-1). Nk, ½l, 10 ran. J Gifford. Tote: £1.90, £1.10, £1.80, £1.70 DF: £3.00. CSF: £8.81

4.30 (2m 2f hdle) 1. No-U-Turn (G Charles-Jones, 4-5 fav); 2. Steve Lauchra (14-1); 3. Lector (9-2). Hd, ½l 7 ran. S Mellor. Tote: £2.30, £1.50, £8.90. DF: £23.10. CSF: £15.77. After an objection by the fourth to the third, was overruled.
PLACEPOT: £161.15.

Devon and Exeter

Going: Good to firm

2.15 (2m 1f hdle) 1. Puget (A Carroll, 10-1); 2. Hard Line (4-5 fav); 3. Trafftanza (14-1). 4l, 2l, 10 ran. NR: Jets Fripon, D Winde. TOTE: £9.50; £2.70, £1.10, £2.20. DF: £10.10. CSF: £17.75.

2.45 (2m, 1f hdle) 1. Maid Of Steel (M Brocklebourne, 33-1); 2. Invisible Ring (9-2); 3. Gun The Day (10-1) Careen (8-11 fav), 2½l, 4l 11 ran. A Brisbourne. TOTE: £14.50; £2.30, £1.90, £3.10. DF: £28.90. CSF: £171.77.

3.15 (2m 1f ch) 1. Flonmadier (Mr G Brookes, 4-1); 2, Taffy Jones (2-1 fav); 3. Princess Isis (6-1) 5l, 1l 9 ran. F Winter. TOTE: £8.00; £2.30, £1.80, £1.80 DF: £5.70. CSF: £12.07.

3.45 (2m 1f hdle) 1. My Dominion (M Pitman, 9-4); 2 Kilcha Girl (11-2), 3. Optimosa (11-8 fav). 2½l, 20l 5 ran. Nr: Sweet Whit, M Pipe. TOTE: £4.40; £1.70, £2.00. DF: £16.40. CSF: £14.15.

4.15 (2m 1f hdle) 1. Kamag (C Seward, 12-1); 2 Plaza Toro (9-1); 3 Tropical Mist (16-1). The Argonaut (6-4 fav) Hd, 20l, 10 ran. Nr: Wells O Weare, D Jones TOTE: £9.50, £1.90, £1.80, £4.20 DF: £44.50. CSF: £106.84. TRICAST: £1,574.42.

4.45 (2m 1f ch) 1. Ring-Lou (P Barton, 3-1); 2 Britannicus (14-1); 3. Dundrums Bay (9-2). Rockfield Boy (5-2 fav), 2l, 20l, 9 ran. J Edwards TOTE: £3.60; £1.60, £1.70, £1.90. DF: £17.10 CSF: £38.82.
PLACEPOT: £310.40.

● Provincial Dawn provided the Northern and Provincial Thoroughbred Racing Company with their first winner when taking the Neilsland Nursery by one and a half lengths at Hamilton Park yesterday.

Jack Berry, the trainer, said: "The company has 600 members and shares are £320. The other horses, Nap Majestica and Nap King Cole, are with Reg Hollinshead and Maurice Camacho.

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RACING: MISS GRIS MAKES ENGLISH DEBUT FOR SHEIKH HAMDAN AL MAKTOUM

Capricorn Belle should upstage Italy's first lady

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

York today sees the English debut of that good filly, Miss Gris, who won 10 races in succession in Italy before she finally met her match when she was sent outside her own country for the first time to contest the Prix de Diane (French Oaks) at Chantilly where she could finish only fifth.

When she was trained in Italy Miss Gris was owned by Scuderia Siba. Now, after a private transaction she belongs to Sheikh Hamdan al Maktoum and she will be carrying his blue and white colours for the first time this afternoon.

When she was in Italy Miss Gris beat an English filly called Lost Cause to win their equivalent of our 1,000 Guineas at Rome in April. While confirming that she must be a cut above average, that performance does not mean that she will necessarily be good enough to beat **Capricorn Belle** who is owned by Sheikh Hamdan's brother, Sheikh Maktoum al Maktoum.

Capricorn Belle won this race *12 months ago. More recently* she has run well enough in smart races at Newcastle, Deauville and Newbury to suggest that she should have the edge over Miss Gris.

With Sit this One Out and Golden Heights going for him, Peter Goulandris has a chance of winning the somewhat optimistically-named Gilbey Champion Racehorse Futurity. In this instance, though, I just prefer **Chartino** whose upward graph took in Ayr, Catterick and Redcar before he won his fourth race in succession at Deauville.

Family Friend should relish the distance of the *UKO* Varicue Nursery, not just because he is by the Derby winner, Henbit. When he bravely ran Oriental Soldier to a short head over seven furlongs at Salisbury last month, Family Friend gave me the indelible impression that he was crying out for further already and that *is precisely what confronts him* now.

The prospect of soft ground at Bath prompts me to think that the Ladbroke Nursery may well be won by the bargain basement horse, **By Chance** (nap), who has already recovered her purchase price of only 560 guineas several times by winning similar races at Windsor. It was very soft underfoot there last month when she beat Lydia Languish. On that occasion the pair of them drew 10 lengths clear of their rivals.

So with only 7st 9lb to carry this afternoon, By Chance should be a formidable prospect on ground that she clearly relishes. Her taste for these conditions has obviously been inherited from her maternal sire and grandsire, Sweet Revenge and Compensation, who both revelled in the mud.

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Tom Jones, who has taken charge of Miss Gris

No one would like to win the Be Hopeful Memorial Handicap more than the Newmarket trainer, Alan Bailey, who in his days as a stable lad in Peter Walwyn's yard looked after that popular old warhorse throughout his 13-season career.

With **Ambit** to carry his hopes this afternoon Bailey has a chance of seeing a personal dream come true. Recently my selection ran really well at *Wolverhampton* to get to within threequarters of a length of Bolliden at the end of the Midlands Cambridgeshire.

Blinkered first time

YORK: 2.0 Dancing Zeta, Triera. 2.35 Glide By. 3.10 Indian Rajah. BATH: 2.30 Kuwait Moon. 3.0 Well Covered. 3.30 Wallah Wassl. 5.0 Keith's Girl.

HAC make case for restoration of levy

By Michael Seely

At the annual meeting of the *Horseracing Advisory Council* (HAC) in Southampton Row yesterday, General Penfold, their chairman, issued a plea for more money to keep the infra-structure of the industry in a healthy state.

"I have expressed the view that we would like to see the levy position restored to at least that obtaining in the 21st scheme (1982-83) and that, if such a restoration were to be agreed, HAC would be happy for an understanding to be reached between the Levy Board and the Bookmakers' Committee over the next three years, by which increases or falls in levy yield would only be a consequence of changes in the level of turnover.

"A return in the 25th levy scheme to the 21st scheme rate would, on current estimates, yield £22.6m, an increase of 18 per cent in four years, but still well below the likely rise in inflation, since the 21st scheme.

"In the 21st scheme the percentage of turnover was 12 per cent. It was reduced by seven per cent for the 22nd scheme and three per cent was restored for the 23rd. In the 24th scheme, (1984-85) a status quo position was agreed."

Stressing the need for this increase, General Penfold said: "In November, the Levy Board held a strategy review meeting at Kempton Park. Our submission to the Board prior to the meeting stressed the concern of HAC for adequate finance to maintain satisfactorily the central services of racing. We categorise these essential needs of racing as the *integrity services*, safety and welfare of personnel and horses on course, veterinary research and prize money levels which would ensure the continuing interest in British racing of the racehorse ownership population.

"We pointed out the failure of the yield from the levy to keep pace with inflation over the years.

The HAC, who came into being *five and a half years ago*, have one of the three Jockey Club seats on the Levy Board. Although their function is only advisory, their voice is *being listened to and their advice* sought with ever-increasing frequency, as they are the only body representative of the whole industry.

Commenting on this, the chairman said: "Our strength comes from the willingness of members to set aside sometimes deeply *held* views in favour of the common interests of racing. Recognition of this development in the role of HAC has led to our becoming ever more closely involved in the solving of most problems and difficulties with which the Jockey Club and the Levy Board have to contend in their attempts to raise the standard

Stoute to appeal

An appeal by Michael Stoute and Walter Swinburn against the decision of the York stewards to demote Shardari from first to second place in the Great Voltigeur Stakes on August 21 will be heard by the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee next Tuesday. Shardari was first past the post, but the local *stewards awarded the prize to the* runner-up, Damister after they found Shardari had interfered

Champion dozen

Peebles, Palace Music and Law Society will be absentees from Sunday's £400,000 Phoenix champion Stakes. Commanche Run is a top-priced 2-1 with Mecca to follow up his Benson and Hedges Gold Cup victory. The declarations are: Bob Back, Commanche Run, Baillamont, Damister, Leading Counsel, River Mist, Scottish Reel, Theatrical, Vice Admiral, Helen Street, Reprint, Triptych.

YORK Ch4

[Televised: 1.30, 2.0]

Going: good

Draw: 5f-8f, low numbers best on soft going

1.30 GILBEY CHAMPION RACEHORSE FUTURITY (2-y-o: £8,220: 7f) (7 runners)

102	021111	**CHARTINO** (D) (B Hamoudi G Hufter 9-0	L Piggott	1
104	321	**SIT THIS ONE OUT** (C) (P Goulandris) D Laing 9-0	W Carson	3
106	4	**GOLDEN HEIGHTS** (P Goulandris) P Walwyn 8-7	J Mercer	6
107	0	**HUBBARDS LODGE** (Rokhvale Ltd) P Kelleway 8-7	S Cauthen	4
108	0	**NORFOLK SONATA** (K Bethel) R Boss 8-7	Pat Eddery	7
109	2	**PAST GLORIES** (N Hetherton) W Elsey 8-7	J Lowe	2
110	0	**SHARON'S ROYALE** (F Lafferty Builders) R Whitaker 8-7	J H Brown	5

1984: Waafi 8-7 T Quinn (7-2) P Cole 7 ran.

5-4 Chartino 7-2 Sit This One Out, 4 Past Glories, 6 Golden Heights, 10 Hubbards Lodge, 12 others

FORM: CHARTINO (8-11) beat Neferou (8-7) ½-l at Deauville in listed race (6f, £8,837, soft, Aug 17 10 ran) **SIT THIS ONE OUT** (9-0) a short head here (5f mdn, £5,026, good, Aug 22, 10 ran) **GOLDEN HEIGHTS** (8-0) badly drawn when 1 ½-l 4th to Kolgong Heights (8-10) at Newbury (7f mdn, £4,948, good, Aug 17, 20 ran) **HUBBARDS LODGE** (8-11) 13 ½-l 6th to Bakharoff (8-11) in Royal Ascot's Chesham Stakes (6f, £9,771, good to firm, June 20, 8 ran).
Selection: CHARTINO

2.0 UKO VARIVUE (Nursery handicap: 2-y-o: £5,553: 1m) (6)

202	3130	**DANCING ZETA** (B) (Roldvale Ltd) P Kelleway 9-7	Pat Eddery	1
205	412	**FAMILY FRIEND** (BF) (Sir M Sobell) W Hern 9-5	W Carson	4
206	321404	**RETHYMNO** (Capt M Lemos) *C Britain* 9-3	P Robinson	6
208	4302	**TRIERA** (B) (Mrs S Purcell) A Jarvis 8-13	S Cauthen	5
210	024001	**COMMON FARM** (M Brittain) M Brittain 8-5 (6 ex)	T Ives	3
213	42044	**SEATYRN** (B) (D Brown) S Norton 7-12	J Lowe	2

1984: Magic Eye 9-4 T Ives (9-1) G Hunter 13 ran.

9-4 Family Friend, 3 Triera, 7-2 Common Farm, 11-2 Dancing Zeta, 10 Rethymno, 12 Seatyrn.

FORM: FAMILY FRIEND (8-2) short head Salisbury 2nd to Oriental Soldier (8-0) (7f, £4,994, soft, Aug 15, 9 ran). Previously (8-11) beat Gorgeous Strike (9-0) ½-l on firm ground at Sandown (7f), **DANCING ZETA** (9-1) ½-l back in 3rd. **TRIERA** (9-3) 2l runner up to easy winner Valley Victory (8-11) over course and distance. **RETHYMNO** (9-7) 2 ½-l away 4th and **COMMON FARM** (8-4) 9th of 16 (7f, £4,201, good to soft, Aug 20, 16 ran). **COMMON FARM**, (8-5) has since beaten Special Guest (7-10) 3l at Beverley (7.5f, £2,653, good, Aug 28, 10 ran). **SEATYRN**, (8-12) 8 ½-l 4th to Air Display (8-13) at Newcastle (7f, good), previously (9-0) 2 ½-l 4th to Eve's Error (9-0) at Nottingham (8l mdn, £1,785, good to firm, Aug 13, 12 ran)
Selection: SEATYRN

York selections

By Mandarin

1.30 Chartino. 2.00 Family Friend. 2.35 Capricorn Belle. 3.10 El Mansour. 3.45 Mummy's Favourite. 4.15 Teased.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

1.30 Chartino. 2.0 Rethymno. 2.35 Capricorn Belle. 3.10 October. 3.45 Grey Walls. 4.15 Imperial Bid.

By Michael Seely

2.0 FAMILY FRIEND (nap). 2.35 Capricorn Belle.

2.35 STRENSALL STAKES (Fillies: £7,021: 7f) (10)

301	013324	**CAPRICORN BELLE** (CD) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) L Cumani 4-9-8	L Piggott	5
302	1-13023	**ADJANADA** (D) (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 3-9-0	W R Swinburn	4
303	2-710	**BREADCRUMB** (D) (T Holland-Martin) H Candy 3-9-0	J Matthias	9
304	1-11110	**MISS GRIS** (D) (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-9-0	A Murray	6
307	00-3600	**TUG TOP** (Greenland Park Ltd) W Hastings-Bass 4-8-9	Pat Eddery	7
308	033-030	**CHEPSTOW VALE** (C) (P McBean) W Hern 3-8-8	W Carson	8
310	21-2032	**RAABIHAH** (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-8-4	P D'Arcy	1
311	*000010*	*THIRSTY (D) (W du Pont III) G Pritchard-Gordon 3-8-4*	W Ryan	3
312	441443	**DARNIT** (D) (D Needham) J Etherington 3-8-1	G Duffield	2
313	32-0024	**GLIDE BY** (B) (D) (Mrs R Skepper) R Boss 3-8-1	M Miller	10

1984: Capricorn Belle 3-8-8 R Guest (8-1) L Cumani 10 ran.

15-8 *Miss Gris*, 11-4 Adjanada, 4 *Capricorn Belle*, 7 *Raabihah*, *10 Chepstow Vale*, 12 Breadcrumb, 14 others.

FORM: CAPRICORN BELLE (9-2) 2 ½-l 4th to Ever Genial (8-6) at Newbury (7f, £18,044, good to soft, Aug 16, 12 ran) **ADJANADA** (8-8) 3rd 2 ¾-l behind Ever Genial (8-5) with **BREADCRUMB** (8-5) a further 2 ½-l back in 5th, Goodwood (7f, £11,277, good to soft, July 30, 6 ran). **MISS GRIS** (9-2) 3l 5th to Lypharita (9-2) at Chantilly, earlier (8-11) a comfortable 4l winner from Lost Cause (8-11) at Capanelle (1m, £24,246, good, Apr 28, 13 ran). **RAABIHAH** (9-7) caught in the last strides when a short head 2nd to Secret Valentine (7-5) at Yarmouth (1m, £2,431, good to firm, July 24, 5 ran). **DARNIT** (9-6) 3rd ¾-l behind Solitoe (8-7) at Newcastle (1m, £2,351, good, Aug 13, 11 ran).
Selection: MISS GRIS.

3.10 QUINTIN GILBEY SILVER TROPHY (Handicap: £3,511: 7f) (13)

401	223421	**EL MANSOUR** (B) (D) (P Newton) J W Watts 6-9-10	T Ives	9
402	*010000*	**OUR DYNASTY** (B Hobson) M Lambert 4-9-8	W Carson	1
403	000120	**WIKI WIKI WHEELS** (B) (CD) (P Savill) R Sheather 5-9-4	Pat Eddery	11
404	232100	**OCTOBER** (B) (D) (C Wacker III) R Armstrong 3-9-2	S Cauthen	12
405	000040	**INDIAN RAJAH** (B) (D) (Bernstein Hounsfield) K Brassey 5-9-1	G Duffield	8
406	110004	**AIR COMMAND** (D) (Mrs I Ryles) Mrs G Reveley 5-9-1	D Leadbitter(5)	10
407	300-000	**ROTHERFIELD GREYS** (A J Bingley Ltd) C A Bell 3-8-12	J Lowe	13
408	003000	**FOULAAD** (Hamdan Al Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 3-8-11	A Murray	4
411	004133	**INISHPOUR** (D) (P Halsall) Ron Thompson 3-8-5	R P Elliott	3
412	*100-00*	*THATCHERED (J Fry) P Calver 4-7-12*	M Fry	7
415	000000	**MEL'S CHOICE** (D) (M Brittain) M Brittain 7-7-7	T Williams	5
418	000022	**SALALA** (D) (O Zawawi) B Hanbury 4-7-7	G Carter (5)	6
419	000200	**ZIO PEPPINO** (D) (M Vettorino) T Craig 4-7-7	S P Griffiths (5)	– 2

1984: Royal Trouper 5-8-5 E Hide (11-2 h-lav) A Hide 13 ran.

7-2 Air Command, 4 El Mansour, 9-2 Wiki Wiki Wheels, 6 Inishpour, 8 Salala, 10 October, 12 Foulaad, Our Dynasty, 14 others.

FORM: EL MANSOUR (9-13) beat **WIKI WIKI WHEELS** (9-13) ½-l at Redcar, **MELS CHOICE** (8-4) 9l away 10th and **THATCHERED** (8-9) 12th (7f, £2,345, good to soft, Aug 9, 15 ran). **OCTOBER** (8-8) 3 ¼-l 6th to Sulaafah at Newmarket, earlier (8-6) ¾ Goodwood winner from Daniyar (8-10) (7f, £2,746, good, June 10, 11 ran), **AIR COMMAND** (9-3) 4l 4th to Transflash (8-5) at Newcastle, **OUR DYNASTY** (9-5) behind 6l h'cap earlier **AIR COMMAND** (9-3), beat Piencourt (9-10) 1l at Chepstow, **MELS CHOICE** (8-8) 5l back in 6th (6f, £8,087, soft, Apr 18, 13 ran). **OUR DYNASTY** (9-5) earlier 5l 6th to Ever Genial (8-6) at Newbury (7f Group 3, No 8044, good to soft, Aug 16, 12 ran), **SALALA** (8-13) 1l Lingfield 2nd to Gunsen Boy (8-6) 7f, £2,181, good, Aug 21, 12 ran).
Selection: SALALA.

3.45 EBF AVONDALE NEW ZEALAND STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £4,201: 6f) (12)

502	01	**GREY WALLS** (D) (Sir P Oppenheimer) G Wragg 8-12	S Cauthen	5
504	032	**DASA QUEEN** (J Upson) A Jarvis 8-8	D Nicholls	12
505	030	**ELSOCKO** (R Shawi) S McMahon 8-8	J Lowe	8
507	4	**GRACEFUL DREAM** (C Wacker III) R Armstrong 8-8	G Sexton	10
511	2	*STATELY LASS (D McIntyre) J Winter 8-8*	W R Swinburn	1
515		**COOL MUSIC** (A Budge) J FitzGerald 8-3	M Wood	4
516		**GAY APPEAL** (A Larsson) C Nelson 8-3	A Clark	9
517		**HAL-Y-PENSE** (Ld McAlpine) D Morley 8-3	G Duffield	6
519	2	**MUMMY'S FAVOURITE** (R M O'Ferrall) J Dunlop 8-6	Pat Eddery	3
520		*NOBLY BORN (Sheikh Mohammed) W Hern 8-3*	W Carson	2
521		**SWEET ADELAIDE** (R Sangster) B Hills 8-3	B Thomson	11
522		**TABLE-TURNING** (Ld Derby) J W Watts 8-3	T Ives	7

1984: Green Leaf 8-3 Paul Eddery (10-11 fav) H Cecil 7 ran.

9-4 Mummy's Favourite, 3 *Nobly Born*, 4 *Grey Walls*, *11-2 Stately Lass*, 8 *Graceful Dream*, 10 Dasa Queen, 14 others

FORM: GREY WALLS (8-11) ran on well to score by 2 ½-l from Ambrosini (8-11) at Yarmouth (6f, £824, good, Aug 7, 11 ran). **DASA QUEEN** (8-11) ½-l 2nd to Sunley Simmer (8-11) at Chepstow (7f, £1305, soft, Aug 26, 12 ran). **ELSOCKO** (8-8) outpaced behind Kingscote (8-12) at Ascot earlier (8-8) 1 ¼-l behind Volida (8-8) at York (5f, £3219, good, June 14, 5 ran). **GRACEFUL DREAMS** (8-5) a promising 3 ¼-l 4th to Jellygold (8-13) at Newmarket (6f, £4198, good, June 29, 9 ran). **STATELY LASS** (8-11) 2l 2nd to Meteoric (8-11) in a competitive maiden at Newmarket (6f, £3253, good, Aug 10, 14 ran). **MUMMY'S FAVOURITE** (8-6) unable to quicken when well beaten 5l 2nd to Shamrock (8-11) at Goodwood (6f, £2308, good to soft, Aug 28, 5 ran).
Selection: DASA QUEEN.

4.15 HESLINGTON STAKES (3-y-o: £3,149: 1m 2f 110yd) (3)

601	0-2001	**TROJAN PRINCE** (Sheikh Mohammed) W Hern 9-4	W Carson	3
602	030412	**TEASED** (R Sangster) B Hills 8-12	B Thomson	1
603	422301	**IMPERIAL BID** (Mrs C Brittain) C Brittain 9-4	Pat Eddery	2

1984: (1m 4f) Caesandra 8-8 W Carson (3-1 fav) W Hern 7 ran.

11-10 Teased, 7-4 Trojan Prince, 100-30 Imperial Bid.

FORM: TROJAN PRINCE, (9-0) made all to beat Dancing Decoy (8-11) 1 ½-l, at Newmarket (1m 2f mdn, £2966, good, Aug 10, 7 ran). **TEASED**, (8-9) 7l runner-up to impressive Newcastle winner Capo Di Monte (8-10) (1m 2f, £2357, good, Aug 26, 7 ran), **IMPERIAL BID**, (9-4) beat *Immortal Dancer* (9-7) a short head at Sandown (1m 2f, £5817, good to firm, Aug 31, 9 ran).
selection: TEASED

Course specialists

YORK

TRAINERS: J Dunlop, 21 winners from 71 runners, 29.6%, W Hern 33 from 126, 26.2%; M Stoute, 29 from 132, 22.0%.
JOCKEYS: L Piggott, 55 winners from 271 rides, 20.3%, W Carson, 50 from 291, 19.2%; W R Swinburn, 24 from 134 17.9%.

BATH

TRAINERS: I Balding, 33 winners from 133 runners, 24.8%; G Harwood, 13 from 66, 19.7%, 8 Hills, 23 from 118, 19.5%.
JOCKEYS: G Starkey, 13 winners from 64 rides, 20.3%, P Waldron, 14 from 99, 14.1%; S Rouse, 16 from 116, 13.8%.

BATH

Going: soft

Draw: 5f-1m, low numbers best.

2.0 SEPTEMBER SELLING STAKES (£960: 1m 8yd) (17 runners)

1	0-30	**BROCHE** K Bishop 4-9-0	S Whitworth	14
2	0002	**DISCOVER GOLD** (BF) M Blanshard 4-9-0	J Reid	9
4	0420	**FORDANESS** A Pitt 4-9-8	C Rutter 5	1
5	3000	**HAMPTON WALK** J Holt 4-9-0	P Waldron	11
7	0-0	**LINTON STARCHY** J O'Donoghue 4-9-0	P O'Leary	6
9	0000	**TELE-LINK** Mrs A Finch 4-9-0	A McGlone	17
10	0403-	**TOP OF THE STRETCH** F Jordan 4-9-0	B Rouse	10
11	0000	**DAISY LOCH** J Holt 4-8-11	M Lynch 7	2
13	/000-	**PALS DELIGHT** M Usher 4-8-11	M Wigham	15
15	0-400	**CLERMONT LANE** M Smyly 3-8-7	N Howe	16
16	0403	**DANEDANCER** K Cunningham-Brown 3-8-7	R Wernham	13
17	0210	**FRIENDS FOR EVER** (B) P Makin 3-8-7	G Baxter	4
21	10-00	**BEAUGESTIC** C James 3-8-4	R Fox	5
23	00	**PRINCESS BONNIE** J Fox 3-8-4	J Williams	15
24	02-042	**SAREMA** (BF) D Haydn Jones 3-8-4	D Williams 7	12
25	0008	**TZU-WONG RENOVATION** D Leslie 3-8-4	M Rimmer	3
26	0004	**WINSOME LASS** M Madgwick 3-8-4	R Guest	8

1984: Without 3-8-7 Pat Eddery (6-1) R Boss 10 ran.

11-4 Sarema, 4 Friends For Ever, 5 Clermont Lane, 11-2 Broche, 8 Danedancer, Discover Gold, 10 Top Of The Stretch, 14 others.

Bath selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Claremont Lane. 2.30 Kuwait Moon. 3.0 Ambit. 3.30 Its High Time. 4.0 Uphoria. 4.30 BY CHANCE (nap). 5.0 Tzu-Wong. 5.30 Rear Admiral.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.0 Ambit. 3.30 Penny Red. 4.0 Bath. 5.30 Mood For Love.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.0 Fast Service.

2.30 PENNSYLVANIA MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 3-y-o: £1,182: 1m 3f 150yd) (14)

5	0	**EASTERN CHANT** R Blakeney 9-0	R Wernham	10
7	00	**GOLDEN FOX** C Benstead 9-0	P Waldron	12
9	00	**KEEP THE HEAT** G Hunter 9-0	T Quinn	1
11	3232	**KUWAIT MOON** (B) J Sutcliffe 9-0	G Baxter	8
13		**MICK THE TACKER** N Kernick 9-0	R Street	14
15	0	**MISHRIF** G Harwood 9-0	G Starkey	5
16	0	**MISRULE** D Arbuthnot 9-0	P Cook	4
20	2040	**STATE BANQUET** M Usher 9-0	M Wigham	3
22	0000	**TAB-A-JAD** D Elsworth 9-0	A McGlone	8
24	00	**WATERLOW PARK** I Balding 9-0	R Currant	2
33	042	**LISMORE** J Dunlop 8-11	B Rouse	9
34	0	*MISS CHRISTOPHER R Holder 8-11*	A Dicks 7	13
37	0-002	**REGENT'S FAWN** B Hills 8-11	R Hills	11
38	000	**SILVER FIELD** J Bosley 8-11	J Johnson	7

1984: Brightner 9-0 G Starkey (15-2) G Harwood 11 ran.

2 Kuwait Moon, 3 *Mishrif*, 4 Lismore, 6 Regents Fawn, 9 State Banquet, 12 Misrule, 16 others.

3.0 BE HOPEFUL MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£3,568: 1m 8yd) (18)

3	1300-	**KARKAN** G Harwood 4-9-7	G Starkey	18
4	1140/	**VALERIO** O Sherwood 5-9-5	S Dawson 3	8
5	0000	**WELL COVERED** (B) A Turnell 4-9-4	L Jones 5	16
6	1120	**HABS LAD** (CD) (BF) D Laing 3-9-3	J Reid	6
7	0200	**MANCHESTERSKYTRAIN** (C) L Cottrell 5-8-11	R Street	13
8	0317	**FAST SERVICE** (CD) C Horgan 6-8-11 (7 ex)	P Cook	15
10	0100	**MOONDAWN** M Usher 4-8-8	R Cochrane	11
11	*3411*	*FEI LOONG E Eldin 4-8-8 (7 ex)*	G King 7	5
12	0000	**AQABA PRINCE** P Cundell 5-8-7	C Rutter 5	1
13	0-004	**CONCERT PITCH** B Paling 6-8-7	N Day	9
14	0134	**FLOWER OF TINTERN** D Laing 3-8-5	R Currant	4
16	3022	**AMBIT** A Balley 3-8-3	A Bond	7
17	3040	**FEYDON** L Cottrell 4-9-2	*N Carlisle*	10
18	0000	**ITALIAN SECRET** B McMahon 4-8-1	A Mackay	14
19	2123	**LEMELASOR** D Haydn Jones 5-8-1	D Williams 7	12
22	0120	**DREYFUS** (B) D Sasse 3-7-7	D McKay	2
23	0004	**LADY LYNX** (B) M Pipe 4-7-7	R Fox	3
25	0000	*EXPLETIVE (B) D Haydn Jones 5-7-7*	N Adams	17

1984: Dunant 3-8-13 B Rouse (7-2 fav) C Brittain 11 ran.

3 Fast Service, 100-30 Fei Loong, 5 Habs Lad, 8 Karkan, 9 Flower Of Tintern, 10 Ambit, Lemelasor, 12 Manchesterskytrain, 14 Moondawn, *Well Covered*, 16 others.

3.30 MENDIL HANDICAP (£2,694: 1m 5f 12yd) (15)

1	10-44	**ROUGH STONES** K Brassey 4-10-0	S Whitworth	14
3	0310	**GOLDEN CURD** (BF) B Hills 3-8-0	R Hills	4
4	0-100	**IT'S HIGH TIME** H Candy 4-8-12	C Rutter 5	9
7	0002	**PATERNOSTER ROW** (B) D Haydn Jones 6-8-10	J Reid	7
8	2440	**TAR'S HILL** L Cottrell 4-8-8	R Cochrane	6
9	2030	**MASTER FRANCIS** M Blanshard 3-8-8	R Fox	3
10	0244	**ARTESIUM** R Johnson Houghton 3-8-8	P Cook	5
12	1144	**QUIET COUNTRY** (B) (C) F Yardley 4-8-7	I Johnson	12
13	0010	**WALLAH WASSL** (B) (BF) J Dunlop 3-8-7	B Rouse	2
15	3400	**WANDERING WALTER** B Morgan 3-8-6	R Adams 7	8
16	002-0	**PENNY RED** W Hastings-Bass 4-8-5	R Lines 3	11
22	002/0	**ISOM DART** T Hallett 6-8-1	–	15
23	/4-40	**PARANG** P Walwyn 4-8-0	N Howe	10
25	10-04	**WITHOUT (C)** M Tate 4-7-12	A Proud	13
27	0/00-	**SANDY LOOKS** R Holder 5-7-8	A Mackay	1

1984: Pacificus 3-8-3 N Howe (13-2) P Walwyn 15 ran.

4 Artesium, 5 Rough Stones, 7 It's High Time, 8 Golden Curd, 9 Wallah Wassl, 10 Paternoster Row, Tar's Hill, 12 Quiet Country, Parang, 14 Master Francis, Wandering Walter, 16 others.

4.0 TOG HILL MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (Div I: 2-y-o: £1,339: 5f 167yd) (19)

1	0	**ALHAAN** H Thomson Jones 8-11	R Hills	4
3	000	**ANGEL BABY** M Francis 8-11	L Jones 5	1
5		**ARNITA** R Johnson Houghton 8-11	P Cook	15
6	03	**BATH J Teller** 8-11	A Mackay	9
8		**CACTUS ROSE** D Laing 8-11	R Currant	9
23		**FULL OF LIFE** M Pipe 8-11	Paul Eddery	8
24		**GROVECOTE** P Makin 8-11	G Starkey	17
26		**HERMINDA** N Viggors 8-11	S Dawson 3	10
27	30	*HOBOURNES KATIE R Hollinshead 8-11*	S Perks	7
29	00	**IFFLEY MAY QUEEN** C James 8-11	R Fox	16
31	0	**KENOOZ** A Stewart 8-11	B Rouse	2
32	00	**KITTY CLARE** P Walwyn 8-11	N Howe	14
33		**LA DIVINA** G Lewis 8-11	P Waldron	6
37	0	*NATIVE ROOTS D Hanley 8-11*	S Whitworth	18
42	04	**PILLOWING** C Nelson 8-11	J Reid	12
44	03	**RUPERT'S DAUGHTER** J Bridger 8-11	N Dawe 5	11
47		**SUNNY MATCH** L Cottrell 8-11	R Cochrane	19
50		**UPHORIA** P Cole 8-11	T Quinn	13
51	3	*USEFUL B Hills 8-11*	R Street	3

1984: All For London (USA) 8-11 A Lequeux (1-2 fav) A Douleb 15 ran.

2 Bath, 4 Pillowing, 9-2 Useful, 6 Alhaan, 8 Arnita, 10 Kenooz, 12 *Uphoria*, *14 Full Of Life*, *16 others*.

4.30 LADBROKE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £2,358: 5f 167yd) (12)

1	2210	**C JAM BLUES** H Candy 8-7	C Rutter 5	9
2	1420	**WEBSTERS FEAST** M McCormack 9-1	R Cochrane	12
3	3100	**CRETE CARGO** M Francis 9-1	Paul Eddery	4
5	0010	**MEADOW MOOR** (B) (C) Mrs C Reavey 9-0 (7 ex)	N Day	2
6	1400	**CINNAMON SKY** D Laing 8-6	P Cook	3
7	144	**JOKIST** C Williams 8-4	G Baxter	5
10	004p	**SHARI LOUISE** M McCourt 8-3	R Wernham	7
11	0324	**KRUGER NATIONAL** (BF) R Williams 8-3	R Hills	11
12	0101	**BY CHANCE** G Wildman 7-9 (7 ex)	A Mackay	1
22	400	**TOUCH ME NOT** R Hollinshead 7-7	N Carlisle	6
23	0000	**FIRST ORBIT** M McCourt 7-7	–	10
24	0121	**MARQUIS** C James 7-7	R Fox	8

1984: Musing 8-11 J Reid (9-2) B Swift 9 ran.

4 Websters Feast, 5 Crete Cargo, 11-2 Sheri Louise, 7 C Jam Blues, 9 Meadow Moor, 10 By Chance, 12 Marquis, 14 Cinnamon Sky, Joklst, 16 Kruger National, 20 others.

5.0 TOG HILL MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (Div II: 2-y-o: £1,328: 5f 167yd) (19)

2	0	**ALMOST AMERICA** C Wildman 8-11	A Shoults 5	8
7	0000	**BLUE STEEL** R Simpson 8-11	K Radcliffe 7	6
9		**CARANGE** P Walwyn 8-11	N Howe	16
10	0	**CARNIVAL ROSE** N Vigors 8-11	P Cook	13
17		**ENIGMA** B Hills 8-11	R Street	12
18	00	**FAITHFUL PENELOPE** M Pipe 8-11	S Raymont	19
20	0	**FLYAWAY BRIDE** I Balding 8-11	S Payne	2
21	00	**FOXY BABY** D Sasse 8-11	D McKay	7
25		**HARTNELLS FOLLY** P Makin 8-11	R Wernham	5
26	000	**HOPEFULL DANCER** R Hannon 8-11	A McGlone	14
30	0000	**KEITH'S GOAL** (B) D Jermy 8-11	–	3
39	00	**NORTHERN MEETING** I Balding 8-11	B Rouse	18
40	0	**OUT OF HARMONY** C Horgan 8-11	S Cullen	10
41	0	**PARTY J** Dunlop 8-11	R Fox	11
45	04	**SLAP BANG** (B) N Vigors 8-11	J Reid	18
48	0000	**TIBET** D Laing 8-11	S Whitworth	17
49	42	**TZU-WONG** (BF) M Pipe 8-11	Paul Eddery	1
52	0	**WHIRLING WORDS** P Makin 8-11	G Baxter	15
53		**WHO'S THAT GIRL** J Bridger 8-11	R Guest	4

1984: no corresponding race.

3 Tzu-Wong, 100-30 Flyaway Bride, 4 Northern Meeting, 13-2 Party, 8 Enigma, 9 Carange, 10 Hopeful Dancer, 12 Out Of Harmony, 16 others.

5.30 PENNSYLVANIA MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: 3-y-o: £1,171: 1m 3f 150yd) (14)

2		**AMMED** R Hollinshead 9-0	S Perks	7
3	02-	**BOOMING** P Cole 9-0	T Quinn	4
4	0030	**CAREER BAY** (BF) D H Jones 9-0	J Reid	6
6	000	**GALLANT HOPE** L Cottrell 9-0	N Carlisle	14
10	3-00

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● When is a church not a church? When it is converted into a family house. This former Victorian church, Magdalene Lodge, North Wootton, Dorset, is for sale at £125,000 through Lawrence's Yeovil office

By Christopher Warman
Property Correspondent

For many years, vicarages and rectories, mostly in country parishes, have provided fine home for the laity when either the increasingly secular world has led to their redundancy or their cost of upkeep has stretched the pocket of the parish council and the Church Commissioners to a point where their sale and replacement by a more practical house is the realistic option.

More recently churches have found themselves in the undignified position where dwindling congregations and diocesan rationalizations have left the choice of demolition or sale.

In this way the Church has spread its influence and impact in a way it might not have expected, for not only are many people now living in fine, modernized or converted vicarages, but an increasing number are able, almost literally, to take a pew in a redundant church.

Small country churches have been changed into comfortable family houses, while bigger buildings in the *towns and cities are becoming the* shell for development.

There are at least two such *developments in progress in London* at present, one of which incorporates both the church and vicarage of the *former St James church in Upper* Fore Street, Edmonton, north London. The Victorian buildings have *been preserved in their structure and* facades, while many of the original features, including Gothic arches and windows, columns, beams and even the domed ceiling above the altar, have also been retained.

The new St James Court has 23 flats and maisonettes created from the derelict church and vicarage, all of them different, and prices range from less than £40,000 to more than £90,000 for the largest two-bedroom maisonettes, with two bathrooms and living area of 26 feet by 18 feet.

Phase one of the development includes five apartments in the former vicarage and phase two is one- and two-bedroom flats and two-bedroom maisonettes in the converted church. The flats in the vicarage have been sold and those in the church have just come on to the market through Empire Estates, of Edmonton (01-884 2888).

The development, by a locally-based company, Eeiay Properties, has brought an allocation of funds from the Halifax Building Society, and the intention, through keeping the units to modest sizes and prices, is to help *first-time buyers*. The hope is that both local people looking for their first home, as well as others attracted by such an unusual development, will be able to buy there.

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The second church undergoing its own conversion is St Bartholomew, Bethnal Green, soon to be known as Steeple Green, Coventry Road, Bethnal Green, in the east end of London. It is still an area which is to prove it is on the way up, but its proximity to the Isle of Dogs and the *thriving Docklands, and to the City,* give it every chance.

There will be 30 units for one-bedroom *flats with galleries to three* and four-bedroom houses on three floors, some within the old church *and others traditionally designed* modern houses and flats, altogether creating a new self-contained inner courtyard.

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An example of a conversion into one dwelling is Magdalene Lodge, North Wootton, Dorset, which is for sale at £125,000 through Lawrence Chartered Surveyors' Yeovil office (0935 76348).

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A buyer who wants to live in a *church* but wants to carry out the convertion himself could buy St Mary's Church, Chittoe, near Bromham in north Wiltshire, which stands in a rural setting with fine views.

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■ **Following Augustus John's studio at Fordingbridge, Hampshire, on to the market (mentioned in last week's column) is the painter's home in St John's Wood, London. The three-bedroom maisonette has a spectacular studio room, 33 feet by 28 feet, with a 14-foot ceiling, and Faron Sutaria is asking for offers around £225,000 for the 123-year lease.**

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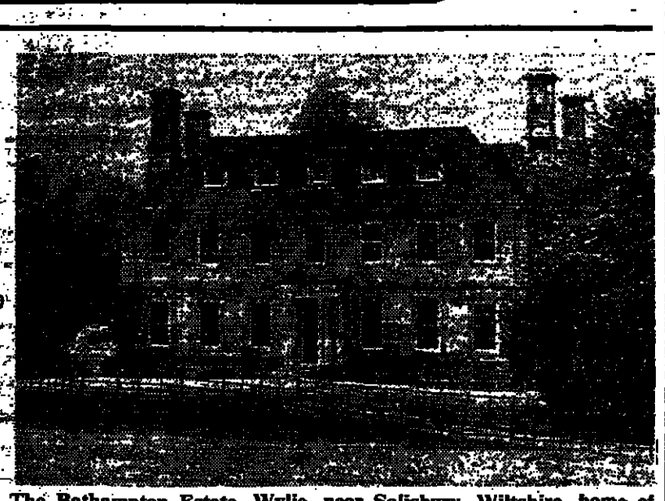
■ Melford House, a fine Grade I William and Mary village house in the Cotswold village of Mickleton, six miles from Broadway, is for sale through the Cheltenham office of Hamptons. It gives a guide price of £250,000. Dating from 1694, the house is of honey-coloured stone with stone-mullioned windows, some with the original glass. An east wing was added in Elizabethan times and a west wing, designed in keeping with the original, added in 1912. The accommodation, on three floors, includes three reception rooms, a bedroom suite and five further bedrooms. The property stands in about one acre surrounded by a high stone wall, also listed.

■ **Hal Miller, MP for Bromsgrove and vice-chairman of the Conservative Party, is selling his Worcestershire home, The Cross House, at Hadley. The Bromsgrove office of Banks and Silver is asking for offers of around £100,000. The 16th century timber-framed house, dating from 1537, has two reception rooms and six bedrooms, and the grounds include a timber-framed building and a heated swimming pool.**

M25 price booster

■ House prices in South Buckinghamshire, South Hertfordshire and the north-west fringe of London rose by an average of 13 per cent during the first six months of this year, according to estate agents Weller Hill Hubble. The firm bases its calculation on sales at its 13 offices stretching from Chesham to Pinner. The trend follows the market pattern of April to December last year when a similar survey by the firm gave an average price increase of 15 per cent for semi-detached houses and 25 per cent for terrace properties.

Weller Hill Hubble said the main reasons for the area's popularity and rising property values are its general prosperity, its good railway and London Underground services, improved links with motorways, particularly the M1 and M25, and jobs created by the growth of new businesses.



The Bathampton Estate, Wylie, near Salisbury, Wiltshire, home of Lord and Lady Hugh Russel for 27 years – and home of the Wylie horse trials since 1961 – is for sale through Savills' Wimborne office. Offers around £2.75 million are required for the property, which has 1,171 acres, and is one of the most impressive residential, farming and sporting estates to come to the market in recent years. The Grade II listed house, with the William and Mary front added to an older house in 1694, has five main and five further bedrooms. There are several other houses and cottages on the estate. The equestrian facilities include a large covered riding arena and 24 loose boxes. There is also excellent trout fishing and potential for a pheasant and partridge shoot.

Land shortage battle

The latest round in the battle for housing land in the south-east is taking place with an assertion by local authority planners that there is sufficient land designated in the area for the next few years and a counter-punch from the house-builders aimed at demolishing that claim.

The London and South-east Regional Planning conference (SERPLAN), which represents local authorities in Greater London and the south-east, claims in a new report that there was no shortage of building land. SERPLAN says there should be sufficient land to build 273,000 homes in the next five years.

Its study shows that the stock of land is as high as it was in 1982 even though nearly 150,000 homes have been built in the intervening years.

Describing this view as "unrealistic", Mr Graham Pye, president of the House-Builders Federation, said it could only be made by measuring land supply against existing structure plans. "However, it has been amply demonstrated by recent census data from the Office of Population and Census Survey that these plans under-provide by around 35 per cent for demand for new housing in the south-east."

The federation regards the SERPLAN figures as a mixture of facts, best estimates and optimistic guesswork and says that it is well known that public funds will not be available for the assumed level of local authority building.

It also believes that an allowance for unidentified and windfall sites is far too large because planning policies in the areas concerned will actively discourage or prevent such a level of windfall sites becoming available.

Mr Pye concludes that a fine balance remains between identified plots and structure plan figures, allowing no flexibility or room for slippage, and overlooking the fact that it has been agreed with a number of district councils that there are shortfalls of housing land in their areas.

"The reality – as rocketing housing land prices clearly show – is that there is a growing shortage of housing land in the south-east compared with demand," he says.

While maintaining that there is a "more than adequate" supply of and for housing for the next five years. SERPLAN argues that development in London is needed where land is available to enable a significant increase in house-building to take place.

Eyes are turned towards Thurrock in the east, where Consortium Developments' controversial plan for a new village on 760 acres of green belt land at Tillingham Hall has a rival. A consortium headed by Mr Owen Luder, a past president of the Royal Institute of British Architects, has lodged a planning application with Thurrock district council for a mini new town of 5,000 houses on reclaimed chalk pits west of Grays.

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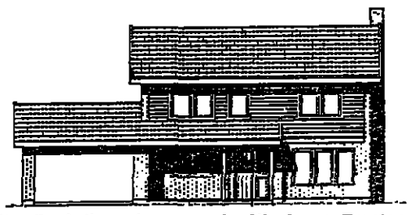
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BIRTHS

BALLARD. – On 31st August to Penny and Richard – a son, brother to Hayden.

BERGER. – On 24th August at West London Hospital, to Finola (nee O'Brien) and Jonathan – a daughter, (Charlotte Elizabeth).

BUTT. – On 1st September in Nicosia, to Lynne and Gerald – a son (Marcus Farid), a brother for Amelia and Miranda.

COLLIS : GAPES. – On 31st Aug. 1985, in Boston, Massachusetts, to Jill (nee Gapes) and David – a son.

DUSKIN – On August 30th, at The John Ratcliffe Hospital, Oxford, to Clare (nee Jarvis) and Christopher, – a daughter, (Charlotte Hope) a sister for Helen.

FALCONER. – On August 31st, to Richard and Virginia – a daughter

FARRELL – On Sept 2nd to Sandra (nee Hibbert) and David – a daughter (Charlotte Louise).

FICKLING. – On September 2nd to Lesley (nee Robertson) and Clive, – a daughter (Angela Margaret) a sister for Simon

GOLDSCHMIDT. – On 31st August at Yeovil, to Margaret and Michael, – a son (Henry Michael Guy), a brother for Eugenie and Anne-Marie.

GOMME – On September 2nd at Queen Mary's, Roehampton, to Elizabeth and Jean-Louis – a son (Philip Henry).

PROBERT – On 3rd September, at Queen Charlottes Hospital, London, to Margie (nee Hartman) and Brian – the gift of a son (Charles Richard).

SCHREITZER – On August 22nd at Morgan Hill, California, to Susan (nee Chavers) and William – a son (Leo William).

WHITEGATHOTTERY – On August 28th 1985, in Norfolk, to Heather (nee Howarth) and Patrick – a son (Sebastian Patrick), a brother for Marina.

WILKES. – On 28th August at Hinchinbrooke Hospital to Pippa (nee Roberts) and Tim, a daughter, Lara Lucy, a sister for Gregory and Briony.

WORGER – On September 1st, at Epsom Hospital, to Susie (nee Ford) and Brian – a daughter (Chloe Elizabeth)

BIRTHDAYS

DAVID HADDOCK is 50 today. Congratulations on your half century from Chris and Derek.

MARRIAGES

HAMILTON : OULTON. – On August 31st, 1985, at St James' Church, Christleton, Chester, Archibald Gordon, younger son of Mr and Mrs Archibald Hamilton, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Judith Allison, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Harry Oulton of Littleton, Chester.

GOLDEN WEDDING

PEAKE–HENIKSTEIN. Edward Charles Peake to Baroness Santa Maria von Henikstein on September 4th 1935 at the Benedictine Abbey of St Peter, Salzburg, Austria, now at 6 Westberry Court, Grange Road, Cambridge.

DEATHS

BENTON – Eric Benton of Sibford Gower, peacefully after a very short illness on Sunday, 1st September 1985. Funeral at Sibford Church, on Friday 6th September, at 11 o'clock. Cut flowers or preferably donations to Shelter, may be sent to J. & M. Humphrys, Albert Street, Banbury (0295) 66424.

BLACKBURN – On September 2nd, 1985, after a short illness, John, aged 70, of 39 Elm Trees, Long Crendon, husband of Audrey, father of Anthony, Rosalind and David. Cremation private at his request. Family flowers only, donations if desired to R.N.L.I. Poole Quay, Dorset

BONHAM–CARTER – on September 3, peacefully in hospital, Jocklyn Heath of Cornish Cross. The much loved husband of Lesley and father of Timothy and Philip. Funeral at Fulmer Village Church, 11.15am on Monday, September 9. No flowers. Donations to British Heart Foundation.

BORTHWICK, suddenly, on 26th August, at Mongino, France, Richard Quentin Borthwick. Funeral took place 2nd September.

BOYD. – On September 2nd, 1985 while fishing in Scotland, Laurence Lawson Boyd, MC, of Haddenham, Buckinghamshire. Beloved husband of Elizabeth. No flowers. Cremation private.

CANTWELL – On August 31st, 1985, after an illness bravely borne, John Keith, adored husband of Carmen, and father of Alexis and Lesley. Cremation at Brakespear Crematorium, Rutslip, Middx, on Thursday 5th September, at 11.30am. Flowers to 13 Castlebar Rd., Ealing.

CHETWOOD, PATRICIA WINSOME, peacefully, at Rye Hospital, on Friday, 30th August. Loved wife of Knighthey, and mother of Peter and Louise. Service at The Church of St Thomas the Martyr, Winchelsea, on Friday, 6th September, at 1.45 pm, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, please. Donations to St Michaels Hospice, St Leonards on Sea.

CLARK–KENNEDY. – On 2nd September, 1985, peacefully, in Cambridge, Archibald Edmund Clark-Kennedy, MD, FRCP, Consulting Physician to the London Hospital and Fellow of Trinity Christ's College. Beloved father, grandfather and great grandfather. Funeral at Great St Mary's Parish Church, Thursday, 5th September, 12 noon. Interment private. Family flowers only.

COWAN. – On September 1st 1985 suddenly at home in Berkhamsted, Neil, much loved husband of Cicely loving father of Gillean, Jean and Mary and dear grandfather of Philippa, Emma, Katy, Karl, Caroline, James, Jeremy, Roland, Susan and Stefanie. Funeral service at St Peters Church, Berkhamsted on Monday September 9th at 2 p.m. followed by cremation at Amersham. Family flowers only donations if desired to St Peters appeal.

COYLE – On Saturday 31st August 1985, suddenly, Frederick Maurice, aged 84, beloved father of Susan, Bridget, Shaun and Patrick. Service at St Ercenwalds R.C. Church, Walton-on-Thames, on Friday, 6th September at 11.15, followed by Cremation at Randalls Park Crematorium. Leatherhead. All enquiries and flowers to F. W. Chitty & Co Ltd. 25 Elmgrove Road, Weybridge, Surrey Telephone: 0932 42220.

FIELD. – On September 2nd peacefully at home, Elsie Muriel Squire, widow of George Field. Funeral service at St Patrick's Church, Hayling Island on Saturday 7th September at 10.30 am. Enquiries to Cradys Funeral Directors, Hayling Island 463828

FLETCHER–. Elizabeth (Cis) on 28th August. Beloved wife of Wyndham, much loved and loving mother of Michael, Charles, Sarah and Susan. Funeral at St James, Elmsted on 12th September at 2.30 p.m. followed by private cremation. Donations to Hambrook & Johns, Hythe 66625.

HARVEY – On 2nd September, Frances Hilda, beloved wife of the Rev'd D. D. Harvey of Shrewsbury (Essex), Tuchurst and Puddletown.

HAYHURST – MARGARET (Peggie), on Saturday, 31st August, at Withington Hospital, Manchester. Dearly loved widow of Bobby, daughter of the late Elizabeth Ann and Fred Graham of Blackburn, Lancashire. Dearly loved auntie Peggie, loved and missed by all her nephews and nieces.

HUNTER, BRYAN LOVELL (Bunter), peacefully, on September 2nd. Much loved husband of Doreen and father and grandfather of Angela, Larry, Marvyn, Susan and Tania. For funeral details, Tel: Ashton Funeral Service, 01-789 1790. Flowers or donations only. Donations to Parkinson's Disease Society would be appreciated.

KIMMINS – On August 30th, Douglas, aged 80 years, dearly loved husband of Nancy, and brother of Betty. Funeral at St James Church, Beckenham, on Friday, September 6th at 11.45am, followed by Cremation at Elmers End. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to The Alzheimers Disease Society, 3rd Floor, Bank Building, Fulham Broadway, London SW6.

NEWTON – On August 31st, at Hinchley Memorial Hospital, Cryseil Christopher George Millard, T.D., aged 87. Beloved husband of Rowena (nee Griffin) sadly remembered by his children John, Alan and Phyllis, and by his eight grandchildren. At his request, private Cremation and family flowers only.

SHARP – On 1st September, Evelyn Baroness Sharp of Hornsey, G.B.E., peacefully after a heart attack. Formerly Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. Cremation private, followed by a Thanksgiving Service at Lavenham Church, on Monday 9th September, at 3pm. Family flowers only. Memorial Service to be announced.

STUART KING. – On August 31st 1985, suddenly and peacefully at home, John Robert, in his 61st year. Dearly loved father of Kathleen, Anne-Marie and Charles. Service in Hampstead Crematorium, Thursday 5th September at 3pm. Family flowers only. Donations to People's Dispensary for Sick Animals.

DEATHS

WALMSLEY – on September 2, at Lymington Infirmary, peacefully, Air Marshall Sir Hugh, K.C.B., K.C.I.E., C.B.E., M.C., A.F.C., aged 87. Private funeral and cremation. Thanksgiving service at St Andrews Church, Tipton, at 2.30pm, September 20. Family flowers only. Donations appreciated to the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund.

WEETMAN – On 1st September, 1985, Clan, aged 81 years. Beloved husband of Dilys, father of John and grampa of Matthew and Charlotte. Service to be held at Chiltern Crematorium, Amersham, on September 9th, at 11.30am. No flowers by request, donations if desired to London Association for the Blind, 14 Verney Road, London SE16.

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6.00 **Ceefax AM.**
6.56 **Breakfast Time** with Frank Bough and Nick Ross. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and travel at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; the new Top Twenty at 7.32; Denys Roberts reviews the morning newspapers at 7.37 and 8.37. Plus, Alison Mitchell's 'phone-in financial advice; and reports from Blackpool on TUC conference news. The guest is Andrew Sachs.
9.20 **Trades Union Congress 1985.** Live coverage of the day's early debates in Blackpool where the reporters are Vincent Hanna and Nicholas Jones.
10.30 **Play School** (r).
10.50 **Trades Union Congress 1985.** Further coverage of the morning debates from Blackpool 12.45 approximately Ceefax.
1.00 **News After Noon** with Richard Whitmore and Moira Stuart. The weather prospects come from Bill Giles 1.24 Regional news and news headlines with subtitles.
1.30 **Hokey Cokey.** A See-Saw programme for the very young presented by Chloe Ashcroft and Don Spencer (r) 1.45 **Still on the Move.** Highlights of the award-winning series that complemented the British Adult Literacy Campaign which began in 1975 (r).
2.15 **Trades Union Congress 1985.** The afternoon session 4.18 Regional news.
4.20 **King Rollo,** narrated by Ray Brooks (r) 4.25 **Bric-a-Brac** with Brian Cant (r) 4.35 **Laurel and Hardy.** Cartoon version entitled Defective Story (r) 4.40 **Battle of the Planets.** Animated science fiction series (r) (Ceefax).
5.00 **Newsround.**
5.10 **Gentle Ben.** Outdoor adventure series about a young boy and his pet bear (Ceefax).
5.35 **The Flintstones.** The first of a new series of cartoon adventures featuring the Stone-Age citizens of Bedrock.
6.00 **News** with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.
6.35 **London Plus.**
7.00 **Wogan.** The guests include Dynasty's Dex Dexter and that series' dress designer, Nolan Miller. Plus, Tom Courtenay and Jeannie Chandris.
7.35 **Wildlife on One.** A new series begins with a profile of the powerful mantis shrimp. Narrated by David Attenborough (Ceefax) (see Choice).
8.00 **Howards' Way.** Part one of a new 13-episode drama serial about the effect of redundancy on a comfortably-off executive and his family, set among the yachting fraternity of the south coast. Starring Maurice Colbourne as the redundant engine designer, Tom Howard (shown on Sunday) (Ceefax).
8.50 **Points of View.** Andrew Sachs takes a dip into the BBC's postbag.
9.00 **News** with Julia Somerville and John Humphrys followed by regional news and weather.
9.30 **Fatal Vision.** The second and final part of the drama and Freddy Kassab is now convinced that his son-in-law is responsible for the murder of his family and is determined to see that justice is done. Starring Karl Malden and Eva Marie Saint.
10.55 **George Burns and Other Sex Symbols.** The grand old entertainer reluctantly admits to being one of the world's most desirable men and sets out to find out why women find him so irresistible with a little help from, among others, Dynasty star, Linda Evans.
11.45 **Weather.**

TV-am

6.15 **Good Morning Britain** presented by Nick Owen and Jayne Irvine. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.18, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.39 and 7.37; exercises at 6.50; Popeye cartoon at 7.23; pop music at 7.54; pop guests and videos at 9.03. The guests include Norman Wisdom.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 **Thames news** headlines followed by **The Little Rascals"** in Three Men in a Tub (r). 9.40 **Potty Time** with Michael Bentine (r) 10.05 **Fireball XL5".** Animated science fiction series (r).
10.30 **Pardon Me for Living.** Romance blossoms between two lonely students on Valentine's Day, 1939 (r) 10.55 **Courageous Cat.** Cartoon series 11.05 **Home.** Drama serial.
11.30 **About Britain.** Michael Mulford reports from Scotland on what is being done to combat alcoholism.
12.00 **Storytime.** Roy Kinnear with an updated version of the story of The Three Little Pigs. 12.10 **Our Backyard.**
12.30 **Judi Gees on Holiday.** The last in the series and Judi Spiers makes for Jersey where she meets Chas and Dave and Stan Boardman.
1.00 **News at One** with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 **Thames news.** 1.30 **A Country Practice.**
2.30 **Something to Treasure.** Su Evans and Geoffrey Bond examine our musical heritage. 3.00 **Take the High Road.** 3.25 **Thames news** headlines 3.30 **Sons and Daughters.**
4.00 **Storytime.** A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.10 **Cartoon Time.** 4.20 **Video and Chips** presented by Mick Brown and Sonya Saul. This week's edition examines new ideas in air and space transport. 4.50 **Hold Tight!** from Alton Towers where Madness have been running wild.
5.15 **Blockbusters.**
5.45 **News.** 6.00 **Thames news.**
6.25 **Help! Viv Taylor Gee** with news of the GLC's Women as Carers Conference.
6.35 **Crossroads.** Ann Marie signs a contract.
7.00 **Where There's Life. . .** Bob Buckman reports from Minneapolis on the trend in the United States to send troublesome teenagers to private psychiatric hospitals.
7.30 **Coronation Street.** Percy and Phyllis have a confrontation (Oracle).
8.00 **Fresh Fields.** The first in a new series of the domestic comedies starring Anton Rodgers and Julia McKenzie.
8.30 **The Brothers McGregor.** A new comedy series about two half-brothers, one black and one white, who run a down-market second-hand car lot in Birmingham. Starring Paul Barber and Philip Whitchurch.
9.00 **Minder.** The comedy drama series begins a new run with Arthur volunteering the services of a group of old lags who have taken refuge in a church crypt, to landscape the garden of a certain Mrs Hurst with Terry acting as the overseer. Has the arrival of these recidivists anything to do with a spate of unsolved burglaries in the area? (Oracle).
10.00 **News at Ten** and weather followed by **Thames news** headlines.
10.30 **Film: Death Valley** (1981) starring Paul Le Mat and Catherine Hicks. Thriller about a mother and her young son who are threatened by an unknown killer during a holiday in the United States's Death Valley. Directed by Dick Richards.
12.10 **Night Thoughts** from Dr James Dickie.



Philip Whitchurch and Paul Barber: ITV, 8.30pm

● How accommodating of the BBC to give us the chance to be dazzled by Garbo's 1935 **ANNA KARENINA** (BBC 2, 6.00pm) so soon after Channel 4's screening of the 1947 Alexander Korda version in which Vivien Leigh dimly glowed. Garbo was born to play Tolstoy's heroine. Vivien Leigh was not. It is a simple as that. Another simple truth is that there was much more MGM than Tolstoy in Anna Karenina Mark 1, whereas there was almost as much Tolstoy as Korda in Anna Karenina Mark 2. Nevertheless, if it comes down to a straight choice between Hollywood gloss and Shepperton mat, I will settle for the gloss.

● **THE FASTEST CLAW IN THE WEST** (BBC 1, 7.35pm) could put you off potted shrimps for life. It will certainly make you take extra care next time you go padding in the western Pacific. *Wildlife on One* begins its new season with some amazing pictures of the Mantis Shrimp, a marine mugger that delivers punches at the speed of 1,000 centimetres a second, with an impact equal to that of a .22 bullet. It can smash through the glass of an aquarium and claw through flesh to *the bone. But the male of the* species is cowardly. After meting. he flees from his wrathful partner by breaking down the back-door.

● Best of the rest on TV: A. F. N. Clarke's sweat-making drama about an Army patrol in Northern Ireland, **CONTACT,** (BBC 2, 9.30pm), which recently picked up the Best TV Movie award at the Locarno Festival. And Imogen Sutton's kindly portrait of Soho in the **JUST ANOTHER DAY** series (BBC 2, 9.00pm). Both films are repeats. But far better a good repeat than a poor first-timer.

● Radio choice: Tonight's three-part Prom (Radio 3 at 7.30, 8.25 and 9.10pm) includes two Weill works, Das Berliner Requiem and the suite from Threepenny Opera, as well as Harrison Birtwistle's Secret Theatre. **UNEXPECTEDLY VACANT** (Radio 4, 3.00pm), Hugh Whitemore's comedy about an acting couple trapped in a world of rep, end-of-pier summer seasons and landladies who complain about floating matches in the loo, is a celebration of the resilience of mediocrity. It is extremely well played by Richard Pasco and Barbara Leigh-Hunt.

Peter Davalle

CHOICE

BBC 2

6.30 **Open University:** Database: Security 6.15 Teaching By Telephone. Ends 7.20
9.00 **Gharbar.** This magazine series *for Asian women continues its* musical compilation with contributions from Anup Jolata, Nazia Hassan, Hansa Dave and Mohammed Yousuf.
9.25 **Ceefax**
4.15 **Trades Union Congress 1985.** Live coverage, continued from BBC1, of the closing debates of the day at Blackpool.
5.00 **Ceefax.**
5.30 News summary with subtitles. Weather.
5.35 **The Interview Game.** The first of a series of five programmes designed to help the job-seekers succeed in the all-important interview with the personnel officer. This evening's programme deals with job interviews at London Transport and draws parallels with job interviews elsewhere. Presented by Margaret Simonot.
6.00 **Film: Anna Karenina"** (1935) starring Greta Garbo, Frederic March and Freddie Bartholomew. The first of five films celebrating the 80th birthday of Greta Garbo. Directed by Clarence Brown. *(see Choice).*
7.30 **O'Donnell Investigates . . .** Food. The third programme in the series on Britons' dietary habits investigates why British food has become unhealthy. Dr Michael O'Donnell discovers that there is a link between disease and Britain's post-war affluence when dairy products and animal flesh took over from a diet of mainly bread and potatoes. There is also a report from the richest republic in the world where the change to a western type of diet has led to rapid increase in ill-health.
8.00 **Motorists.** A programme that celebrates the centenary of the motor car (Postponed from August 15).
8.25 **Young Animators 85.** Simon Bates introduces islands, an award winning animated film made by Robin Howlett, and other prize-winning entries from an international animation competition.
9.00 **Just Another Day.** John Pitman is in Soho where he meets the characters who make up this cosmopolitan area of London (r).
9.30 **Play: Contact,** by A F N Clarke. An award-winning drama about a British Army platoon patrolling the part of Northern Ireland close to the southern border, known as 'bandit country'. Starring Sean Chapman, John Blundell and Ozzie Stevens (r).
10.40 **Newsnight.** The latest national and international news plus a report from Peter Snow and Vincent Hanna on the day's proceedings at the Trades Union Congress at Blackpool.
11.25 **Weather.**
11.30 **Open University:** Photochemistry: Modelling Photosynthesis 11.55 Biology: The Plant Cell Wall. Ends at 12.25.

CHANNEL 4

9.30 **Conference '85.** Live coverage of the morning's debates at the Opera House, Blackpool, commented on by Gus Macdonald and Peter Kellner.
12.45 **Close.**
1.15 **Channel Four Racing** from York. Derek Thompson introduces coverage of two races – the Gilbey Champion Racehorse Futurity (1.30) and the UKO Varivue Nursery Handicap (2.00).
2.15 **Conference '85.** Coverage of *the afternoon debates from* Blackpool.
5.00 **Alice.** The waitress is made manager of her apartment house but her initial enthusiasm is dampened when she is forced to lock out Belle who is unable to pay her rent.
5.35 **Silents Please"** Highlights from the films of William S Hart, the cowboy hero of the first 'adult westerns'. The clips include the spectacular land-rush scene from his 1925 film Tumbleweeds and his moving farewell to the screen filmed a few months before his death in 1946.
6.00 **The Betty White Show.** Part one of a two-episode story in which Joyce Whitman (Betty White), an actress in a second rate television police series, is wooed by her former husband, who has discovered that their quickie divorce in Mexico is not valid, in order to obtain a legal divorce.
6.30 **Scottish Fiddle Orchestra in Concert.** The final concert of the series introduced by Steve Hamilton. The orchestra is led by William Cook and conducted by John M Mason. The guests are Mary Sandeman, Rhona Mackay and James Nicol.
7.00 **Channel Four news.**
7.50 **Comment.** With his views on a matter of topical importance is John Hatch, chairman of the *Electricity Consumer Council.*
8.00 **The World – a Television History.** Part 22 of the 26 programme series narrated by Robert Powell traces the formation of the United States from the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776 (Oracle).
8.30 **Staging an Opera.** The final programme of the series following Kent Opera's preparations for Jonathan Miller's production of Fidelio and the moment of truth arrives as the theatre fills for the first performance (r)
9.00 **Ashkenazy Plays Beethoven.** The celebrated pianist and conductor recorded at a public concert in Lugano performing Beethoven's last two Piano Sonatas, Opus 110 and 111.
9.55 **Lou Grant.** The hero of the Los Angeles Tribune fights to save his artist friend's life-long work.
10.55 **Berlin Alexanderplatz.** Episode ten and Eva, who wants the best for Franz and Mieze, has a brilliant idea. Mieze thinks it wonderful, but will Franz give it his blessing?
12.05 **Close.**

Radio 4

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5.55 **Weather; 6.00 News. 6.10 Prayer.**
6.30 **Today.** *Including* 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 *Thought for Day.*
8.43 **Mother of all the Behans.** The story of Kathleen Behan (3). Reader: Marie Kean 8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 **News.**
9.05 **In the Psychiatrist's Chair.** Dr Anthony Clare talks to the film *star Carroll Baker* (r).
9.45 **Pennine Perspective.** Phil Smith among the troglophiles.
10.00 **Gardeners' Question Time.** Experts answer questions from Congresbury Horticultural Society, Avon.
10.30 **Morning Story:** William's Wooden Leg by Julian May. Reader: Sheila Mitchell.
10.45 **Daily Service** (New Every Morning, page 5)†.
11.00 **Great Gardens.** Hannah Gordon goes Dutch (r).
11.48 **Piano Portrait.** Patricia Carroll plays piano music by Henry Litolff.
12.00 **News; You and Yours.** Consumer advice, with John Howard.
12.27 **Lord Jim.** Final episode (r)†. 12.55 Weather.
1.00 **The World at One: News.**
1.40 **The Archers.**
1.55 **Listening Corner.**
2.00 **News; Woman's Hour.** Includes an interview with Gregory Sams, founder of the Realeal Company.
3.00 **News; The Afternoon Play.** Unexpectedly Vacant by Hugh Whitemore, with Richard Pasco, Barbara Leigh-Hunt and Peggy Paige†. (see Choice).
3.47 **Time for Verse.** A further selection of poems chosen by John Wain.
4.00 **News; Too High a Price.** Mary *Clark investigates the problem of* extortion to fund the activities of paramilitary organizations in Northern Ireland (r).
4.40 **Story Time: Earth to Earth** written and read by John Cornwell (7).
5.00 **PM: News magazine. 5.55** Weather.
6.00 **News; Financial Report.**
6.30 **My Music.** Steve Race chairs the panel game with John Amis, Frank Muir, Ian Wallace and Denis Norden†.
7.00 **News.**
7.05 **The Archers.**
7.20 **Three Walks with Mike Harding.** (2): Along the Lees and Liverpool canal, from Leeds to the village of Rodley.
7.45 **Antony Hopkins talks about music†.**
8.15 **The Billion Dollar Raiders.** Tom Maddocks tries to discover whether entrepreneurs are threatening the American financial system with bids for major US corporations like CBS and MGM.
9.00 **Around the Coast of Cornwall.** Tom Salmon continues his exploration†.
9.45 **Kaleidoscope.** Includes comment on the play Spit Second at the Lyric Studio.
10.15 **A Book at Bedtime: Love and Mr Lewisham** by H. G. Wells (8). Reader: Paul Daneman.
10.30 **The World Tonight.**
11.15 **The Financial World Tonight.**
11.30 **Diversions.** Derek Lewis with recordings of classical singers in popular-music repertoire.
12.00 **News: Weather. Until 12.15.**

Radio 3

6.55 **Weather. 7.00 News.**
7.05 **Your Midweek Choice:** Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No 3 (Concertgebouw); Haydn's Sonata in E minor, H XVI 34 (McCabe, piano); Tchaikovsky's None but the Lonely Heart (Wunderlich, tenor); Vivaldi's Concerto in D minor RV 540 (Dresden State Orchestra members and soloists).† 8.00 News.
8.05 **Your Midweek Choice** (contd): *Strauss's Four last songs* (Lisa Della Casa, Vienna PO); Saint-Saens's Symphony No 3 (CBSO/ Robinson, organ).† 9.00 News.
9.05 **This Week's Composer: J. C. Bach.** *Sinfonia concertante* in C (Collegium Aureum); Scena and aria E ancor pago non sai dastin tranno (Scovotti, soprano; Amati Ensemble); Sinfonia concertante in E flat (Collegium Aureum).†
10.00 **Mozart and Medtner:** Bernard Roberts (piano). Mozart's Sonata in C, K 330; Medtner's Novelette in G Op 17 No 1; Sonata in A flat Op 11 No 1.†
10.35 **Weber and Spohr:** Weber's Concertino in E minor (Baumann, horn; Leipzig Gewandhaus); Spohr's Symphony No 3.†
11.20 **J. B. McEwen:** Edinburgh Quartet play String Quartet No 9; and Suite of Old National Dances.†
11.50 **BBC Philharmonic:** with John Bingham (piano). Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No 1; Nielsen's Symphony No 6.† 1.00 News.
1.05 **Prez.** Records made in 1956 by Lester Young, the American tenor saxophonist.†
1.30 **The Arcadians.** Scenes from the Monckton and Talbot musical show. With soloists Glover, Kern, Mala, Darling, Ian Wallace and Leslie Fyson. BBC Concert Orchestra, and Ambrosian Singers.†
2.30 **Melvyn Tan:** fortepiano recital. Dussek's Sonata in C Op 9 No 2; Beethoven's Nine variations in Quant e piu bello and Haydn's *Sonata in E flat (H XVI 38).†*
3.15 **Richard Strauss:** Burleske for piano and orchestra in D minor, Op 24 (Banfield, piano; Berlin SO).†
4.09 **Choral Evensong:** from St George's Church, Hanover Square, London.† 4.55 News.
5.00 **Mainly for Pleasure:** Andrew Keener's selection of recorded music.†
6.30 **Debut:** Wissam Boustany (flute), Russell Lomas (piano). *Alwyn's* Divertimento for solo flute; Hummel's Sonata in A Op 50.†
7.00 **The Songs of Sibelius:** with Tom Krause (baritone), Irwin Gage (piano), Soderstrom (soprano), Ashkenazy (piano). Includes Arioso Op 3; Lasse liten, Op 37 No 2, and En slandа.†
7.30 **Proms 85:** London Sinfonietta (under Atherton). London Sinfonietta Voices, and soloists Langridge, Roberts, Rippon, Hirst and King. Part 1. Janacek's Rikadla; Weill's Das Berliner Requiem.†
8.10 **Six Continents:** Foreign radio broadcasts monitored by the BBC.
8.25 **Proms 85:** part 2. Harrison Birtwistle's Secret Theatre.†
8.55 **Sickert at St Peter's:** Benjamin Whitrow reads Denton Welch's story.
9.10 **Proms:** part 3. Bartok's Village Scenes; *Weill's Kleine* Dreigroschenmusik.†
9.55 **The Works:** Marcella Evaristi as the woman battling with her typewriter to write an autobiographical lecture. In mono.
10.30 **L'Oca del Cairo:** music by Mozart, orchestrated by Schmidt-Lindner. Fragment of a dramma giocoso. Sung in Italian. Salzburg Mozarteum Orchestra, Salzburg *Mozarteum Choir, and soloists* Ahnsjo, Hollweg, Schaninger, Stelnsky, Ghazarian, Berger-Tuna and Marie McLaughlin.†
11.30 **Music from Cairo:** Salah Abd al-Hayy sings Leih ya Banatseg.†
11.57 **News. Until 12.00.**

VHF only: Open University. From 6.35am to 6.55 Romantic Poets.

Radio 2

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News on the hour (except 9.00pm). Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. 4.00 Colin Berry.† 6.00 Ray Moore.† 8.05 Ken Bruce.† 10.30 Jimmy Young.† 1.05pm Sports Desk: Desmond Carrington† incl 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.05 Gloria Hunniford† incl 3.02 Sports Desk 3.30 Music All The Way† incl 4.02 Sports Desk. 4.05 David Hamilton† incl 5.05, 6.02 Sports Desk. 6.05 Paul Heiney† incl 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (MF) only. 7.30 Cricket. 8.00 The Metropole Orchestra.† 8.45 Big Band Special (with Helen Shapiro)† 9.15 Listen to the band (Ever Ready band)† 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 The Fosdyke Saga (r). (30). 10.15 Cantabile. Comedy harmony group. Guests include he pianist Roger Vignoles.† 10.30 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory. 11.00 Round Midnight. 1.00am Nightride† 3.00 John Lawrenson Sings.† 3.30-4.00 So Much Blood. Thriller serial.

Radio 1

News on the half hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and at 12 midnight. 6.00am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 12.00 Gary Davies incl 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.30pm Steve Wright. 5.00 Bruno Brookes incl 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.30 Janice Long (guests incl Robert Smith of *The Cure*). 10.00-12.00 John Peel.† VHF Radios 1 & 2: 4.00am With Radio 2. 10.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00 Newsdesk. 6.30 Omnibus. 7.00 News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Report on Religion. 7.45 That's Trad. 8.00 News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Classical Record Review. 8.30 Only by Women. 9.00 News. 9.09 Review of *British Press.* 9.15 *World Today.* 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Cambridge Bushmen. 10.00 News. 10.01 Development '85. 11.00 News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 Personal Story. 11.25 A Letter From Wales. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Nature Notebook. 12.25 Farming World. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 1.30 Music From The Movies. 2.00 Outlook. 2.45 Report on Religion. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Keep to the Path. 3.30 After Henry. 4.00 News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Counterpoint. 7.45 Good Books. 8.00 News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 8.30 Not So Long Ago. 9.00 News. 9.01 Network UK. 9.15 Album Time. 9.45 Recording of the Week. 10.00 News. 10.09 World Today. 10.25 A Letter From Wales. 10.30 Financial News. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Good Books. 11.30 Top Twenty. 12.00 News. 12.08 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 After Henry. 1.00 News. 1.01 Outlook. 1.30 Waveguide. 1.40 Book Choice. 1.45 Monitor. 2.00 News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Not So Long Ago. 3.00 News. 3.09 News About *Britain.* 3.15 *World Today.* 4.45 Financial News. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 News. 5.08 Twenty-Four Hours. 5.45 The World Today.

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BBC 1: Wales: 5.35-6.00pm Wales Today. 6.35-7.00 An Old New Land. 11.45-11.50 News. Scotland: 5.35-7.00 Reporting Scotland. Northern Ireland: 5.35-5.40pm Sport. 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster. 6.35-7.00 The Flintstones. 11.45-11.50 News headlines. England: 6.35-7.00pm Regional magazines.

S4C Starts: 9.30am Conference '85 Trades Union Congress. 12.45 Egwyl/Interval. 1.15 Racing from York. 2.15 Pilalabalam. 2.30 Conference '85 Trades Union Congress. 4.30 Old Country. 5.00 Ludwig Yr All. 5.30 The Addams Family. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Chwarae Rygbi. 7.00 Newyddion Saith. 7.30 Mae Gen I Gerod. 8.05 Clang Clwyd. 8.35 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. 9.10 Film: A Shining Season. 11.00 Berlin Alexanderplatz. 12.00 France Tour de Tour. 12.25 Diwedd/Close.

TSW As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Standby, Lights, Camera. 11.20 Wattoo Wattoo. 12.30pm More than Meets the Eye. 1.20 *TSW News Headlines.* 2.25 Home Cookery Club. 5.15 Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays. 6.00 Todays South West. 6.30 Judi Goes on Holiday. 10.32 TSW News. 12.10 Postscipt. 12.18 Closedown.

TVS As London except: 9.30am Madcaps. 10.30 The Sinbad Voyage. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.20 TVS News. 1.30 Men of Consequence. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 6.0 Coast to Coast. 12.10am Company, followed by Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

GRANADA As London except: 9.25am Cartoon. 9.30 Kum Kum. 9.55 The Spirit of Malcolm Miller. 10.40 European Folk Tales. 11.00 The Little Rascals. 12.30 The Sullivans. 1.20 Granada Reports News. 2.00 The Love Boat. 2.55 Home Cookery Club. 3.25 Granada Reports News. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 6.00 This Is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30 Granada Reports. 12.15 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 European Folk Tales. 10.35 In The Land of The Lapps. 11.00 Once Upon A Time . . . Man. 12.30 Calendar Lunchtime Live. 1.20 Calendar Headlines. 1.30 Falcon Crest. 6.00 Calendar. 12.10 Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: 9.25am The Mad Dog Meets Rotten Fred and Ratsguts. 9.50 Prairie Habitat. 10.05 An Orphan's Tale. 1.20 Central News. 1.30 Fifty, Fifty. 2.30 Ten Green Bottles. 3.25 Central News. 6.00 Crossroads. 6.25 Central News. 12.10 Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon Time. 10.35 The Protectors. 11.00 That's Hollywood. 12.30 The Parlour Game. 1.20 Anglia News. 3.25 Anglia News. 6.00 About Anglia. 12.00 This I Believe followed by Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: 9.25 am North East News. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Survival. 10.50 Just Amazing. 12.30 The Better Half. 1.20 North East News. 1.25 Where The Jobs Are. 3.25 North East News. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life. 10.30 North East News. 12.10 On Pilgrimage from Durham to Holy Island. 12.15 Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: 9.25 am The New Ed Allen Show. 9.55 Short Story Theatre. 10.25 Standby, Lights, Camera, Action. 11.20 Wattoo Wattoo. 12.30 More Than Meets The Eye. 1.20 Channel News. 5.15 Crafts Made Simple. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.55 The Gary Lloyd Sound. 10.30 Channel News. 12.10 Les Francais Chez Vous followed by Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 Jeremy. 10.35 The Fabulous Furnies. 11.00 The Sea in Their Blood. 12.30 Whiskers and Wet Noses. 1.20 HTV News. 1.30 The Love Boat. 2.30pm Benson. 3.25 HTV News. 6.00 HTV News. 12.10 Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00 Wales at Six.

BORDER As London except: 9.25am Sesame Street. 10.25 *Prairie Habitat.* 10.35 Fireball XL5". 11.00 Once Upon a Time . . . Man. 12.30 Guess Who's Coming to Dinner. 1.20 Border News. 1.25 A Country Practice. 2.30 Man in a Suitcase. 3.30 The Young Doctors. 6.00 Lookaround Wednesday. 12.10 Border News Summary. 12.13 Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 9.25 am The Day Ahead and Sesame Street. 10.25 Indian Legends of *Canada.* 10.50 *Cartoon Time.* 11.00 3-2-1 Contact. 12.30-1.20 Lunchtime. 2.30 Survival: 'Bay Of Fundy'. 3.30 Portraits of a Legend: Petula Clark. 3.58 Ulster News. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 12.05 News at Bedtime.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 9.25 am First Thing. 9.30 Sesame Street. 10.25 Cartoon. 10.35 The Nature of Things. 11.00 Short Story Theatre. 12.30 Documentary. *Arequipa – the White City.* 1.20 North News. 6.00 Summer at Six. 12.10 North Headlines. 12.15 Closedown.

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BEST MUSICAL

A favourite son returns to the Tory fold

By Alan Hamilton

Mr Jeffrey Archer, who lost one fortune as an ill-starred investor and made another as an extraordinarily successful pulp novelist, has never made any secret of the fact that politics are his first love.

His appointment by Mrs Thatcher yesterday as unpaid deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, with responsibility for gingering up the troops for battle, is an inspired use of his talents.

Mr Archer, aged 45, will be seen by many as the epitome of Thatcherite man. He professes to abhor failure, sees no virtue in coming second, and as an accomplished self-publicist has earned himself several million pounds as a writer without benefit of any discernible literary talent or training.

He could have reasonably expected to have become a Tory MP again, but for the manner of his going from the Commons last time. Having been elected the youngest member of the GLC in 1967, he went on to become the youngest MP of his time when he won Louth, Lincolnshire, at a by-election in 1969 at the age of 29.

He was obliged to resign the seat in 1974 when Aquablast, a Canadian industrial cleaning company in which he had invested heavily, collapsed and was found to be a fraud, leaving Mr Archer with debts of £427,000.

He is quick to correct anyone who describes him as "a former bankrupt": it took him seven years and three months to pay off his debts, by discovering to his surprise that he could compose eminently marketable fiction.

His first effort, *Not A Penny More, Not A Penny Less* was based on his own experiences. His output since then has earned him an estimated £5 million, and enabled him to regain the trappings of success; he owns the Old Vicarage, Grantchester, Cambridge, where he lives with his wife, a Cambridge scientist, and two children, and has a London penthouse with views over Westminster.

His success as a novelist is due in no small measure to the skill and efforts of his literary agent, who is Deborah Owen, wife of the SDP leader.

Born the son of a professional soldier in Weston-super-Mare, Somerset, Jeffrey Archer displayed a craving for success, and a talent for the public relations coup, from an early age. He won a scholarship to Wellington School, and while at Oxford became an international sprinter and engineered a memorable coup when he persuaded Harold Macmillan to meet the Beatles during a high table dinner at Balliol.

Although at Oxford he read for a diploma in education, when he left he set up a public relations company, Arrow Enterprises, which specialized in staging grand charity events.

In spite of his long absence from the Commons he continues to describe himself in his *Who's Who* entry as "author and politician". Those close to him say that he misses the social circle of Parliament: he has for several years past kept a toe in the door of the Conservative Party organization in the hope that he would be readmitted in some official capacity.

That hope, speculated about in the gossip columns for more than a year since Mrs Thatcher invited him to lunch in July 1984, has become reality.



Mr Archer at work yesterday. (Photograph: John Voos)

Author to put Tory case to the voters

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side, particularly talking to constituency parties.

"He will bring a touch of dash and style to the party, a rather different dash and a rather different style from my own."

Mr Tebbit said the Tory party was a much under-valued stock "but it's underlying strength is still there."

He said he welcomed the appointment of Mr Leon Brittan to succeed him "His particular talents, not least as a lawyer, will be very well deployed. There is the enormous task of the reform of the City regulations and there are major problems within the City in the combating of fraud."

Mr Tebbit – who added: "He will have a particularly strong hand to play" – seemed to be making the remarks to dispel suggestions that Mr Brittan's departure from the Home Office represented a demotion.

Kinnock fights to contain damage

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cudgels on behalf of my union and others".

Senior Labour Party officials were last night irritated by Mr Scargill's claim, pressed during the debate, that, far from presenting the party with an electoral liability, the demand for reimbursement was already Labour Party policy.

The NUM appears to be relying on a minute of a decision earlier this year by the party executive to call on a future Labour government, with the TUC, to work out the best way to reimburse the trade unions.

The paper is understood to have suggested that there would be manifold legal and political problems in such reimbursement.

Wreck of Titanic can be raised

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paper, *Le Meilleur*, said it had brought European rights to "superb" colour pictures already taken of the wreck.

The Titanic sank in April 1912 after hitting an iceberg on its maiden voyage from Southampton to New York, with the loss of 1,503 passengers and crew.

The expedition which found the Titanic was led by the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts aboard the survey ship Knorr, built for the United States Navy. It used a robot submarine, the Argo, to scan the seabed and send back pictures to the surface.

Wreckage was scattered over an area of the sea-bed 500 yards long and 300 yards wide.

Dr Ballard emphasized that "what we have found is in the public domain and no one has exclusive rights", but an international auction of the pictures and story is apparently well underway.

In Toronto, Mr Michael Levine, a lawyer, who claimed to be Dr Ballard's agent said that interview and photographic rights to the story had been negotiated with a Canadian agency, Canadawide, several months ago.

The editor of *"Le Meilleur"*, M Alain Ayache, said his weekly newspaper had signed a contract with the Canadian agency for the exclusive European rights to nine "superb" colour photographs and a 35mm film taken of the Titanic.

He would be willing to offer exclusive British rights to the pitures and accompanying text for £20,000.

A British survivor of the Titanic disaster, Miss Eva Hart, aged 80, said she hoped the wreck would be left alone. Miss Hart, an Essex magistrate, was seven years old when her father died in the sinking.

"As far as I am concerned I would prefer it not to be brought up," she said. "I was involved in that tremendous disaster and I shall never forget it. It would be wrong to dig up people's graves."

Dr Ballard said that, after initial excitement, came the realization "that we had found the ship where 1,500 people had died".

He added: "To a lot of us who had researched it for so many years, the Titanic has taken on more than a shipwreck.

"It's a true disaster, and finally to put those souls to rest was a very nice feeling."

Letter from Madras

Bill posters gagged by the poster Bill

No other landmark can match it. Probably none would want to. High above the Anna flyover, towering over the orange and black auto rickshaws precariously weaving their way between hooting lorries frequently bashed and battered, is the eye-catching figure.

About 40ft tall, it is a huge cut-out of a film star in his latest role. Unlike many who gaze upwards to the star, he is, if anything, overfed. His plump face, with exaggerated ruby lips and glowering eyes, is set off by a carefully coiffured, jet-black mane.

The skin-tight trousers are canary yellow. Though the buttons of his scarlet shirt are straining, this is due not to excess flab but, the Indian film-going public insists, to rippling muscles. And in his hand, pointing skywards as if in triumph, he holds a big black pistol.

As befits a city which is film-mad – the state government has its share of former movie stars, and the industry is a strong pressure group – the man dominating the Madras skyline is advertising the latest movie success.

Famous as the centre of the southern Indian film industry and second only to Bombay in output, Madras is renowned for its film posters, particularly those lining the main commercial thoroughfare, Mount Street.

Larger than life *femmes fatales*, their bodies covered in silver, pink and lime sequin outfits, offer a seductive "come on" as they loom from hoardings not only on the pavement but almost on the road, too.

Pouting lips and doe-like eyes

By Western standards they are extremely coy. The figures cater for the Indian man's desire for big bosoms and hefty thighs: there are none of your anorexic starlets here. Thank goodness for saris: they cover all manner of things.

The male star is often portrayed offering the heroine, all pouting lips with huge doe-like eyes full of yearning, a chaste kiss on the forehead or maybe nestling his head close to a heaving cleavage, but rarely much else.

Imagine, then, the consternation in the city at a government measure effectively banning the creation of hoardings by private individuals or companies and empowering the administration to take over all cinema hoardings and those for commercial or political purposes.

All this in Tamil Nadu, a state whose Chief Minister for the past eight years is a former film star, M. G. Ramachandran, now universally known as MGR and instantly recognized by his dark glasses and fur cap.

Motorists driven to distraction

Apparently MGR and his administration decided some of the posters sprouting in the city were indecent, even obscene. One depicting a scantily clad woman, baby to her breast, was not promoting the healthy properties of mother's milk. Nor were the joys of rural India paramount in another poster showing a luscious lovely enjoying a dip while a goat carried her bra.

The women's movement protested. But more than female sensibilities and destruction of innocence were at stake: such hoardings, declared the Tamil Nadu Acquisition of Hoardings Bill, were a serious traffic hazard. Motorists were being driven to distraction.

Others, having watched Indians drive, might suggest it is not the hoardings which need attention but the motorists. Indian drivers do not need curvaceous beauties to distract them. Just put them behind the wheel and they manage quite well.

In addition the state suggested, a few people were making undue profits out of the hoarding business. Here, say the gossips, is the real reason for the Bill.

In a city and state where politics and showbiz are inextricably linked there are dark hints that the Bill is the product not of concern for the people's morals or their safety on the roads but of political considerations. If just so happens that one leading hoarding contractor belongs to an opposition party.

Richard Ford

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Prince and Princess of Wales attend a performance of *Onward and Upward* in aid of the friends of the Special Nursery, Haddo House, Aberdeenshire, 7.20.

The Duke of Gloucester attends the Royal Gala Premier of *Gigi* in aid of The Prince Philip Appeal for Commonwealth Veterans, Lyric Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1, 7.20.

New exhibition

A Breath of Fresh Air: photographic exhibition: City Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Sq, **Birmingham**: Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Oct 14).

Exhibitions in progress

Ecole de Paris - Art in Paris - 1900-1960: Gallery of Modern Art, Belford Rd, **Edinburgh**: Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 22).

Symbols of power at the time of Stonehenge: National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland, Queen St, **Edinburgh**: Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Oct 13).

Joseph Farquharson of Finzean: **Aberdeen** Art Gallery, Schoolhill: Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Thurs 10 to 8, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 28).

French paintings, sculpture, prints and drawings 1500-1900: National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Princes St, **Edinburgh**: Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Sept 22).

Textile Works, Cleveland Crafts Centre, 57 Gilkes St, **Middlesbrough**: Tues to Fri 1 to 5 (ends Sept 14).

Cheltenham Art Club exhibition: **Cheltenham** Art Gallery & Museum: Clarence St: Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30 (ends Oct 5).

Drawings by John Constable: **Walsall** Museum and Art Gallery, Lichfield St: Mon to Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 4.45 (ends Sept 7).

Fast Forward: New Directions in British Ceramics, Kettle's Yard Gallery, Castle St, **Cambridge**: Tues to Sat 12.30 to 5.30; Thurs 12.30 to 7; Sun 2 to 5.30 (ends Sept 15).

Indian Summer: Pittville Pump Room Museum, Pittville Park, **Cheltenham**: Tues to Sun 10.30 to 5 (ends Sept 15).

From paper to steel: work by five sculptors, Easthorpe Gallery, Huddersfield, **Mirfield**, W Yorks: Wed to Fri 12 to 4; Sat 11 to 12 (ends Sept 13).

Last chance to see

It's All Done by Mirrors: Towneley Hall Art Gallery, **Burnley**: 10 to 5.30.

Decorative pots: work by six potters: Long St, **Tetbury**, Glos, 10 to 1 and 2 to 5.30.

Music

Rye Festival: Recital by the Taskin Trio, Playden Church, Rye, 7.

Concert by the Cheltenham Young People's Orchestra: Tewkesbury Abbey, 7.30.

Music Hall Memories: De la Warr Pavilion, **Bexhill**, E Sussex, 8.

Talks, lectures

Contemporary Ceramics III: The real and the surreal – a personal view of current trends, by Elizabeth Fritsch, Kettle's Yard, Castle St, **Cambridge**, 10.30.

The European Parliament, by James Elles, University of Buckingham, Radcliffe Centre, Church St, **Buckingham**, 8.

Tower Bridge

Tower Bridge will be lifted today at approximately 11.40am, and then again at 3.15pm, 5.45pm, 7.45pm and 11pm.

Portfolio

Portfolio – how to play

Monday–Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

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New books – hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:

After the War Was Over, a photographic record. Introduction by Mary Blume (Thames & Hudson, £25)

Black American Politics, from the Washington Marches to Jesse Jackson (Verso, £18.50, paperback, £6.95)

Lady Jane Grey and the House of Suffolk, by Alison Plowden (Sidgwick & Jackson, £10.95)

Margaret Tudor, Queen of Scots, by Patricia Buchanan (Scottish Academic Press, £15)

Operation Peace for Galilee, the Israeli-PLO War in Lebanon, by Richard A. Gabriel (Faber, £9.95)

Partners in One Nation, A New Vision of Britain 2000, by David Steel (The Bodley Head, £9.95, paperback, £4.95)

Strike, Thatcher, Scargill and the Miners, by *The Sunday Times* Insight Team (André Deutsch, £9.95)

The Medieval Archer, by Jim Bradbury (Boydell & Brewer, £14.95)

The Punch & Judy Show, History, Tradition and Meaning, by Robert Leach (Batsford, £14.95)

The Watsons, by Jane Austen (The Athlone Press, £10.95)

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Roads

The Midlands: M5: Widening work between junction 4 (A38 Bromsgrove) and 5 (A38 Droitwich): single lane northbound at times: two lanes southbound: no northbound access at junction 5: expect delays. **A1:** Contraflow between Grantham and Newark, at Long Bennington, Lincolnshire.

Wales and West: M5: No access to eastbound carriageway at junction 24 (A38 Bridgewater) between 7am and 7pm: outside lanes closed on both carriageways between junction 24 and 25 (Taunton), not at weekends. **A31:** Underpass construction at Tricketts Cross between Ferndown and Ringwood, Dorset: delays. **A40:** Lane closures between Monmouth-Avergavenny at Mitchell Troy, in both directions: lefthand lane closures on northbound approach to Raglan services.

The North: M6: Lanes closed on both carriageways between junctions 32 (M55) and 33 (A6 Lancaster South): access to Forton services maintained: care required. **M63/M62/M602:** Eccles Interchange, Greater Manchester: Lane restriction N of Barton Bridge: no access from M63 northbound to M62 westbound. **A6:** Lane restrictions on Wellington Rd N, Stockport: delays peak periods.

Scotland: A74: Resurfacing work on A74 at end of M6 at junction 44: long delays for drivers travelling between Scotland and England. **M9:** Northbound carriageway closed N of junction 9 (Stirling turnoff): traffic sharing southbound carriageway. **M8:** Various northbound lane closures at junction 13, Carlyne, Monday to Friday only.

Information supplied by the AA

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.07	1.97
Austria Sch	28.45	27.05
Belgium Fr	82.45	78.55
Canada $	1.935	1.855
Denmark Kr	14.95	13.95
Finland Mkk	8.58	8.18
France Fr	12.33	11.78
Germany DM	4.04	3.86
Greece Dr	187.00	178.00
Hong Kong $	10.92	10.45
Ireland Pt	1.297	1.237
Italy Lire	2705.00	2575.00
Japan Yen	344.00	327.00
Netherlands Gld	4.548	4.335
Norway Kr	11.85	11.30
Portugal Esc	236.00	225.00
South Africa Rd	3.60	3.10
Spain Pta	232.50	220.50
Sweden Kr	11.99	11.44
Switzerland Fr	3.33	3.17
USA $	1.425	1.365
Yugoslavia Dnr	460.00	410.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 375.7.

London: The *FT* Index closed down 5.7 at 1007.8.

Anniversaries

Births: **Robert Raikes**, philanthropist and founder of Sunday schools, Gloucester, 1736: **Anton Bruckner**, composer, Ansfelder, Austria, 1824: **Darius Milhaud**, Aixen-Province, 1892.

Deaths: **Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester**, favourite of Queen Elizabeth I, Cornbury, Oxfordshire, 1588: **James Wyatt**, architect, Marlborough, Wiltshire, 1813: **Edvard Grieg**, composer, Bergen, 1907: **Albert Schweitzer**, humanitarian, Lambarene, Gabon, 1965.

Best wines

In a blind tasting of 40 grands crus classés of the Médoc 1980 vintage, the following three were chosen by an expert panel as standing out head and shoulders above the rest:

Château D'Issan 1980, 3eme cru Canlenac-Margaux

Château Giscours 1980, 3eme cru Labarde-Margaux

Château Pichon-Longueville, Comtesse de Lalande 1980, 2eme cru Pauillac.

Source: *Decanter*, September.

The papers

The Daily Express, commentary on the decision by TUC delegates to accept NUM motion calling on a Labour Government to reinburse funds sequested during the miners's strike, says: "The TUC yesterday turned the Labour Party into Arthur Scargill's poodle.

"No Labour Government could possibly pardon or free miners jailed for criminal offences during the coal strike". **The Mirror**, it adds: "The TUC at Blackpool yesterday seem to have been hypnotised by Mr Scargill. Nothing else explains the stupidity of those who supported him." The paper says: "And it cannot be taken seriously for a very simple reason. Because if it were, the voters are not likely to elect a Labour Government to carry it out."

The Daily Star says: "It is yet another millstone for the hapless Neil Kinnock to carry into the next election campaign, and it is one which he will try, to ignore probably successfully. For the motion passed yesterday is every bit as hypocritical and meaningless as those stirring messages of support (for the NUM) at last year's conference."

The Sun says: "The Blackpool ballot is obviously a major embarrassment for the new TUC General Secretary, Norman Willis, who has flopped disastrously at his first conference."

Weather

A shallow ridge of high pressure will move E across S and central areas during the day as a further depression moves in from the Atlantic towards SW parts of Britain.

London, SE, E central N England, East Anglia, E Midlands, Channel Islands: Mainly dry, sunny intervals; wind W, moderate backing SW light; max temp 19C (66F).

Central S England, W Midlands, N Wales, Isle of Man, Northern Ireland: Sunny start, becoming rather cloudy, some rain later; wind W, light backing S, moderate; max temp 19C (66F).

SW England, S Wales: Bright start, followed by outbreaks of rain spreading from the W; wind W, light backing S, fresh or strong; max temp 19C (66F).

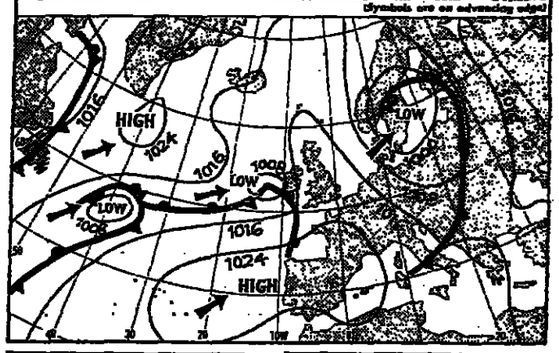
NW England, Lake District, SW Scotland, Glasgow: Mainly dry, sunny intervals; wind SW, light, backing SE, moderate; max temp 17C (63F).

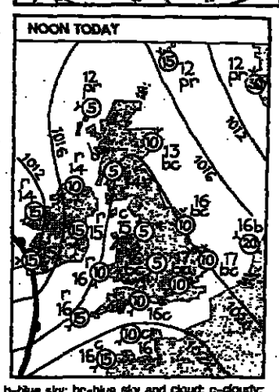
NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Argyll, Orkney: Scattered showers and sunny intervals; wind W, moderate, backing SW, light; max temp 16C (61F).

Shetland: Sunny intervals and scattered showers; wind NW, fresh, decreasing moderate; max temp 13C (55F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Rain in many places at first, followed by showers in the N, but becoming mainly dry with some sunshine in the S later.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind NW fresh backing S or SW strong to gale; rain later; visibility good becoming moderate or poor; sea moderate becoming very rough. **St George's Channel:** Wind S fresh increasing strong to gale, veering SW later; rain then showers; visibility poor with fog patches becoming good; sea moderate becoming very rough. **Irish Sea:** Wind SE moderate or fresh becoming cyclonic variable; occasional rain; visibility moderate or poor; sea moderate.





b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; n–hail, m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm, p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled, temperatures centigrade.

	Sun rises:	Sun sets:
	6.18 am	7.41 pm
	Moon sets:	**Moon rises:**
	11.45 am	9.24 pm

Last quarter: September 7.

Lighting-up time

London 8.11 pm to 5.48 am
Bristol 8.20 pm to 5.59 am
Edinburgh 8.30 pm to 5.55 am
Manchester 8.22 pm to 5.55 am
Penzance 8.30 pm to 6.13 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

	C	F		C	F
Belfast	c 14	57	Guernsey	f 15	59
Birmingham	c 16	61	Inverness	r 11	52
Blackpool	c 15	59	Jersey	c 15	59
Bristol	r 15	59	London	f 16	61
Cardiff	f 15	59	Manchester	r 13	55
Edinburgh	c 13	55	Newcastle	c 15	59
Glasgow	c 14	57	Ronaldsway	f 15	59

London

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 18C (64F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 13C (55F). Humidity: 6 pm, 76 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.08in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 5.8hr. Bar: mean sea level, 6 pm, 1007.4 millibars rising. 1000 millibars=29.53in.

Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Heathrow, Herne Bay, 20C (68F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, 10C (50F); highest rainfall: Keswick (Cumbria), 1.57 in; highest sunshine: Eastbourne 9.4 hr.

High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	5.35	6.7	5.40	6.7
Aberdeen	4.36	4.0	5.13	3.7
Avonmouth	10.53	12.3	11.09	12.2
Belfast	2.39	3.3	3.05	3.1
Cardiff	10.38	11.4	10.54	11.3
Devonport	9.14	5.1	9.22	5.1
Dover	2.33	6.1	2.44	6.3
Falmouth	8.44	4.9	8.52	4.9
Glasgow	4.33	5.0	3.38	3.6
Harwich	3.31	3.7	3.38	3.8
Holyhead	1.42	5.3	2.02	5.5
Hull	9.51	7.2	10.15	6.7
Ilfracombe	9.33	8.3	9.50	8.2
Leith	8.12	5.1	8.44	4.8
Liverpool	2.40	8.9	2.54	8.5
Lowestoft	1.07	2.2	12.50	2.4
Margate	3.39	4.4	3.42	4.5
Milford Haven	9.49	8.3	10.05	6.3
Newquay	8.41	6.4	8.58	6.4
Oban	9.04	3.6	9.28	3.6
Penzance	8.18	5.2	8.26	5.2
Portland	10.24	1.9	10.43	1.9
Portsmouth	2.59	4.4	3.24	4.5
Shoreham	2.33	5.7	2.52	6.6
Southampton	2.15	4.2	2.39	4.2
Swansea	9.54	8.7	10.14	8.7
Tees	7.14	5.2	7.41	4.8
Welton-on-Naze	3.20	3.9	3.27	4.0

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.280ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	2.4	.32	18	64	cloudy
Bridlington	5.3	.29	18	64	bright
Cromer	5.4	.35	19	66	showers
Lowestoft	5.6	.09	19	66	shwrs pm
Clacton	7.7	.18	19	66	sunny
Margate					
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	4.8	.17	18	64	bright
Hastings	5.4	.17	18	64	bright
Eastbourne	9.4	.45	18	64	shwrs am
Brighton	6.0	.40	16	61	bright
Worthing	6.8	.28	17	63	bright
Littlehmptn	7.1	.34	18	64	sunny
Bognor R	8.7	.48	18	64	sunny
Southsea	7.6	.23	18	64	sunny
Sandown	7.9	.37	18	64	sunny
Shanklin	8.5	.54	17	63	shwrs pm
Bournemth	7.4	.25	19	66	bright
Poole	5.9	.28	19	66	bright
Swanage	8.0	.17	18	64	shwrs am
Weymouth	7.0	.20	18	64	sunny
Exmouth	5.2	.08	18	64	bright
WEST COAST					
Ilfracombe	5.2	.27	20	68	sunny pm
Torquay	3.7	.25	17	63	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	8.0	.20	17	63	sunny pm
Southport					
Morecambe	2.3	.56	16	61	rain am
Douglas	5.8	.20	15	59	sunny pm
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London (Cnt)	5.8	.06	18	64	shwrs pm
B'ham (Airpt)	2.9	.13	17	63	showers
Bristol (Cnt)	5.1	.09	18	64	showers
Cardiff (Cnt)	4.5	.12	17	63	showers
Anglesey	6.5	.04	18	64	shwrs am
B'pool (Airpt)	5.3	.31	16	61	rain am
Manchester	2.7	.15	17	63	showers
Nottingham	3.8	.11	17	63	thndr pm
N'cstl-n-Tyne	2.0	.52	16	61	thndr pm
Carlisle					
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir					
Prestwick	1.5	.90	18	61	shwrs am
Glasgow	0.8	.26	15	59	cloudy
Tiree	2.3	.40	14	57	bright pm
Stornoway	0.9	.28	12	54	dull

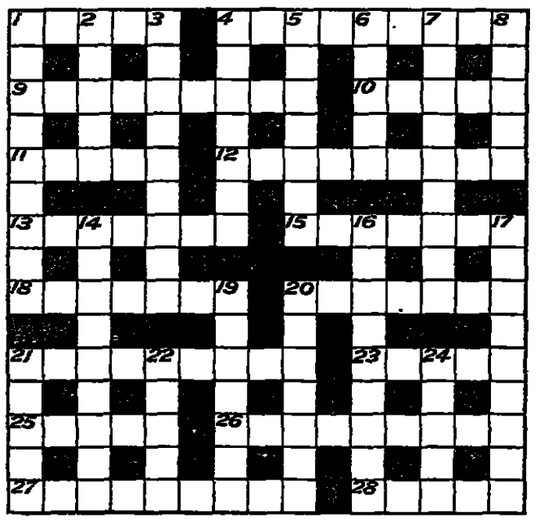
Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud, d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	28	79	Cologne	f	18	64	Majorca	s	28	82	Rome	f	28	82
Akrotiri	s	29	84	Copenhgn	r	14	57	Malaga	s	24	75	Rotterdam	f	17	63
Alexandria	c	31	88	Corfu	s	31	88	Malta	s	28	84	Sao Paulo*	d	13	55
Algiers	s	29	84	Dublin	r	16	59	Melbourne	c	13	55	S Francisco*	c	19	66
Amsterdam	r	14	57	Dubrovnik	s	27	81	Mexico C*	r	21	70	Santiago*	c	12	54
Athens	s	33	91	Faro	s	30	86	Miami*	s	31	88	Seoul	f	28	84
Bahrain	s	37	99	Florence*	f	29	84	Milan	f	28	82	Singapore	r	24	75
Barbados*	f	30	86	Frankfurt	a	15	59	Montreal*	c	21	70	Stockholm	f	17	63
Barcelona	s	27	81	Funchal	s	25	77	Moscow	c	19	66	Strasbourg	c	18	61
Beirut	c	28	82	Geneva	r	17	63	Munich	c	21	70	Sydney	f	18	61
Belgrade	s	28	82	Gibraltar	fg	21	70	Nairobi*	c	17	63	Tangier	s	29	84
Berlin	r	19	66	Helsinki	f	18	64	Naples*	f	27	81	Tel Aviv	s	29	84
Bermuda*	f	27	81	Hong Kong	r	27	81	New Delhi	s	33	91	Tenerife	s	26	79
Biarritz	r	20	68	Innsbruck	f	25	77	New York*	f	26	79	Tokyo	s	28	82
Boulogne	f	16	61	Istanbul	s	28	82	Nice	s	24	75	Toronto*	s	22	72
Bordeaux	c	20	68	Jiddah	s	38	97	Oslo	c	12	54	Tunis	s	34	93
Brussels	f	14	57	Jo'burg*	f	20	68	Paris	c	18	64	Valencia	s	31	88
Budapest	s	25	77	Karachi	c	29	84	Peking	s	28	82	Vancouver*	s	17	63
Buen Aires*	s	15	59	Las Palmas	s	29	84	Perth	s	21	70	Venice	f	28	79
Cairo	s	31	88	Lisbon	s	25	77	Prague	f	22	72	Vienna	s	24	75
Cape Tn	s	19	66	Locarno	r	19	66	Reykjavik	c	8	46	Warsaw	s	23	73
Chicago*	s	29	84	L'Angeles*	f	25	77	Rhodes	s	30	86	Washington*	s	29	84
Chicago*	f	27	81	Luxembg	r	13	55	Riyadh*	f	40	104	Wellington*	r	13	55
Ch'church*	c	11	52	Madrid	s	32	90	Rio de Jan	c	19	66	Zurich	r	16	61

* denotes Monday's figures are latest available

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ACROSS

1 Gibbon, possibly, making attempt to restrict exercise (5).
4 Having good taste, turned out ape at ball (9).
9 Fresh opportunity for the rest of the cast (5-4).
10 Money commonly gained from early start in railway publicity (5).
11 Like a Methodist for the time being (5).
12 A horse, soldier, vessel, or one picking a quarrel? (9).
13 Make things hot at home, introducing lover (7).
15 Not independent, this patient (7).
18 Bird identifies aged prisoner (7).
20 One expressing strong criticism as a striker? (7).
21 Grass turns up with supporter (9).
23 Greek character led back by volunteers (5).
25 Gastropod partly for mermaids (5).
26 Tries to enter bona fide practice (9).
27 Somehow I'm known as being one of the family (9).
28 On which we find Browning's snail at seven a.m. (5).

DOWN

1 Opening for person outside Gateshead pub (9).
2 Tidy writer keeps note (5).
3 Members of clan held a social here (5-4).
4 Irreverent, and liable to take in a sporting body (7).
5 Stories about cat in Haute-Vienne (7).
6 Systematic exposition of facts from the board (5).
7 House-porter partly re-arranged neat version of Keats (9).
8 Church official growing fruit (5).
14 Father beheaded supporter – one from 5, maybe (9).
16 Liberal-minded actors, thus reach a large audience (9).
17 Weather-proof protection for 50 in new para unit (9).
19 Go up-river in lightweight material (7).
20 Where courses are prepared for orchestral percussionists, commonly (7).
21 About to charge extortionately, he? (5).
22 Wages secured by a driver? (5).
24 Rope to see around RLS's travelling companion (5).

Solution of Puzzle No 16,832

C	A	M	E	L	O	T	■	T	O	H	N	S	O	N
O	■	A	■	E	■	R	O	U	T	■	A	■	■	■
L	I	K	E	A	B	O	M	B	■	E	A	N	T	■
O	■	E	■	S	■	U	■	■	U	■	M	■	T	■
N	O	O	S	E	■	B	A	C	K	S	L	I	D	E
M	■	U	■	B	■	L	■	A	■	N	■	E	■	R
S	T	J	A	M	E	S	■	P	A	L	A	C	E	■
A	■	C	■	S	T	■	B	■	■	■	D	■	■	■
B	L	A	C	K	P	O	O	L	T	O	W	E	R	■
D	■	■	■	E	■	L	■	M	■	P	■	■	■	■
U	N	D	E	R	W	E	A	R	■	I	M	P	E	L
C	■	R	■	■	■	E	■	T	■	A	■	■	■	■
H	E	E	N	Y	■	S	T	A	B	I	L	I	T	Y
O	■	S	A	U	■	■	■	O	■	E	■	■	■	■
R	E	S	O	L	V	E	■	H	U	N	D	R	E	D

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